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STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

Section I.—Population and Vital Statistics.

AREA AND POPULATION.

States and Territories.	Area, Square Miles.	Population (Exclusive of Full-blooded Australian Aborigines).						
		Census—3rd April, 1911.			Estimated 31st Dec., 1917.			Capital Cities, 31st Dec., 1917.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	
N.S.W.	309,460	857,698	789,036	1,646,734	929,306	950,643	1,879,949	777,300
Victoria	87,884	655,591	659,960	1,315,551	671,382	739,622	1,411,004	708,240
Q'land ...	670,500	329,506	276,307	605,813	351,693	336,839	688,532	173,504
S. Aust.	380,070	207,358	201,200	408,558	201,433	234,781	436,214	225,317
W. Aust.	975,920	161,565	120,549	282,114	158,701	150,722	309,423	117,000
Tasmania	26,215	97,591	93,620	191,211	101,520	101,657	203,177	40,352
N. Ter.	523,620	2,734	576	3,310	3,886	1,022	4,908	...
Fed. Ter.	912	992	722	1,714	1,080	1,024	2,104	...
C'wealth	2,974,581	2,313,035	2,141,970	4,455,005	2,419,001	2,516,310	4,935,311	2,041,713.

ESTIMATED POPULATION EXCLUSIVE OF FULL-BLOODED ABORIGINES.

31st Dec.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Q'land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania	Nor. Ter.	Fed. Ter.	Common-wealth.
1900	1,360,305	1,196,213	493,847	357,250	179,967	172,900	4,857	...	3,765,339
1901	1,375,455	1,209,900	506,721	359,330	193,601	175,233	4,673	...	3,824,913
1902	1,401,943	1,208,231	512,240	357,007	211,973	179,450	4,474	...	3,875,318
1903	1,425,183	1,204,742	517,728	357,033	224,748	182,924	4,234	...	3,916,592
1904	1,455,458	1,205,608	524,935	359,368	239,408	185,167	4,206	...	3,974,150
1905	1,487,884	1,210,421	531,482	362,621	250,138	186,385	4,046	...	4,032,977
1906	1,521,618	1,219,832	538,973	366,513	255,173	185,472	3,904	...	4,091,485
1907	1,561,572	1,232,807	545,805	373,663	254,540	189,598	3,737	...	4,161,722
1908	1,583,923	1,250,449	557,099	385,831	259,671	191,733	3,572	...	4,232,278
1909	1,613,899	1,277,022	577,845	392,897	265,675	193,119	3,503	...	4,323,960
1910	1,643,855	1,301,408	599,016	406,868	276,832	193,803	3,301	...	4,425,083
1911	1,696,475	1,339,102	622,129	418,172	294,181	193,479	3,248	1,921*	4,568,707
1912	1,777,534	1,380,561	636,425	430,090	306,129	197,205	3,475	1,940	4,733,359
1913	1,831,716	1,412,119	660,158	440,047	320,684	201,675	3,672	1,988	4,872,059
1914	1,861,522	1,430,667	676,707	441,690	323,018	201,416	3,973	1,959	4,940,952
1915	1,870,419	1,419,176	678,675	438,235	318,016	201,025	4,563	1,829	4,931,988
1916	1,858,544	1,398,884	669,467	432,709	308,806	199,925	4,767	2,223	4,875,325
1917	1,879,949	1,411,004	688,532	436,214	309,423	203,177	4,908	2,104	4,935,311

* Formerly part of New South Wales.

ESTIMATED MEAN POPULATION, EXCLUSIVE OF FULL-BLOODED ABORIGINALS.

Year	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	F.T.*	C'wlth.
1901	1,363,373	1,203,137	501,432	357,343	188,135	172,525	4,765	..	3,790,710
1902	1,389,635	1,207,527	510,450	355,934	204,705	175,173	4,574	..	3,847,998
1903	1,413,741	1,205,296	514,483	355,437	219,643	180,375	4,354	..	3,893,329
1904	1,439,943	1,202,814	521,815	356,968	233,963	183,007	4,220	..	3,942,730
1905	1,470,916	1,206,046	528,928	359,940	246,681	184,478	4,128	..	4,001,117
1906	1,504,732	1,213,672	536,200	363,110	254,362	184,272	3,976	..	4,060,324
1907	1,543,663	1,225,503	542,730	367,710	255,510	184,791	3,822	..	4,123,729
1908	1,573,347	1,240,488	553,619	377,994	257,822	187,485	3,655	..	4,194,410
1909	1,598,015	1,261,169	569,950	388,439	263,279	190,227	3,538	..	4,274,617
1910	1,632,990	1,282,477	591,591	397,700	271,019	191,005	3,403	..	4,370,185
1911	1,662,200	1,320,374	614,352	411,218	286,807	190,316	3,319	1,780	4,490,366
1912	1,736,738	1,356,387	631,577	421,644	301,426	191,684	3,359	2,037	4,644,852
1913	1,808,241	1,393,180	652,555	433,588	314,002	195,986	3,660	2,449	4,803,661
1914	1,852,506	1,423,513	674,932	440,012	323,462	198,372	3,751	2,646	4,919,194
1915	1,868,593	1,426,710	686,924	439,442	322,357	199,337	4,403	2,467	4,950,233
1916	1,867,063	1,408,927	677,630	433,245	314,710	198,164	4,849	2,613	4,907,201
1917	1,869,423	1,405,466	680,313	432,188	308,579	198,924	4,958	2,493	4,902,344

* Part of New South Wales prior to 1911.

ESTIMATED INCREASE OF POPULATION.

States and Territories.	1901.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.	1917.
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NATURAL INCREASE (EXCESS OF BIRTHS OVER DEATHS).

New South Wales	21,854	32,487	34,921	33,346	32,234	34,507
Victoria	..	..	15,104	20,496	19,719	19,186	17,746	18,478
Queensland	..	..	8,296	12,948	13,151	12,604	11,398	13,232
South Australia	..	..	5,046	7,934	8,191	7,104	6,780	6,961
Western Australia	..	..	3,199	6,284	6,161	6,025	5,478	5,113
Tasmania	..	..	3,116	3,755	4,099	3,830	3,586	3,608
Northern Territory	..	..	<i>a</i>	12	23	36	48	6
Federal Territory	..	..	<i>b</i>	33	44	30	55	31
Total	..	..	56,615	83,925	86,263	82,089	77,229	81,936

NET IMMIGRATION (EXCESS OF IMMIGRATION OVER EMIGRATION).

New South Wales	..	..	- 6,704	21,695	- 5,115	- 24,449	- 44,109	- 13,102
Victoria	..	..	- 1,417	11,062	- 1,171	- 30,677	- 38,038	- 6,358
Queensland	..	..	4,578	10,785	3,398	- 10,636	- 20,606	5,833
South Australia	..	..	- 3,150	2,023	- 6,548	- 10,509	- 12,356	- 3,456
Western Australia	..	..	10,435	8,271	- 3,827	- 11,027	- 14,688	- 4,496
Tasmania	..	..	- 783	715	- 4,358	- 4,221	- 4,686	- 356
Northern Territory	..	..	<i>a</i>	209	324	626	252	135
Federal Territory	..	..	<i>b</i>	15	- 73	- 160	339	150
Total	..	..	2,959	54,775	- 17,370	- 91,053	- 133,892	- 21,950

ESTIMATED INCREASE OF POPULATION (Continued).

States and Territories.	1901.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.	1917.
TOTAL ESTIMATED INCREASE.						
New South Wales ...	15,150	54,182	29,806	8,897	—11,875	21,405
Victoria ...	13,687	31,558	18,548	—11,491	—20,292	12,120
Queensland ...	12,874	23,733	16,549	1,968	—9,208	19,065
South Australia ...	1,896	9,957	1,643	—3,405	—5,576	3,505
Western Australia ...	13,634	14,555	2,334	—5,002	—9,210	617
Tasmania ...	2,333	4,470	—259	—391	—1,100	3,252
Northern Territory ...	*	197	301	590	204	141
Federal Territory ...	†	48	—29	—130	394	—119
Total ...	59,574	138,700	68,893	—8,964	—56,663	59,986

* Included with South Australia. † Included with New South Wales.

BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES.

YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1917.

States and Territories.	Births.			Deaths.			Marriages
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	
New South Wales ...	27,002	25,446	52,448	10,445	7,496	17,941	13,246
Victoria ...	17,220	15,813	33,033	7,952	6,603	14,555	9,505
Queensland ...	10,058	9,729	19,787	4,027	2,528	6,555	4,868
South Australia ...	5,762	5,564	11,326	2,398	1,967	4,365	3,252
Western Australia ...	4,058	3,824	7,882	1,802	967	2,769	1,621
Tasmania ...	2,720	2,656	5,376	926	842	1,768	1,138
Northern Territory	42	27	69	52	11	63	34
Federal Territory ...	21	23	44	7	6	13	2
Commonwealth	66,883	63,082	129,965	27,609	20,420	48,029	33,666

BIRTHS.—NUMBER, 1901-1917.

States and Territories.	1901.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.	1917.
New South Wales ...	37,875	52,186	53,641	52,931	52,080	52,448
Victoria ...	31,008	35,970	36,222	35,009	34,235	33,033
Queensland ...	14,303	19,731	19,882	20,163	18,912	19,787
South Australia ...	9,079	12,627	12,904	11,798	11,857	11,326
Western Australia ...	5,718	9,218	9,204	9,017	8,563	7,882
Tasmania ...	4,930	5,886	6,017	5,845	5,642	5,376
Northern Territory	32	52	58	61	74	69
Federal Territory ...	...	44	55	47	63	44
Commonwealth ...	102,945	135,714	137,983	134,871	131,426	129,965

BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES (Continued).

States and Territories.	1901.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.	1917.
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BIRTH RATES.—PER 1000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

New South Wales	27.78	28.86	28.96	28.33	27.89	28.06
Victoria	25.77	25.82	25.45	24.54	24.30	23.50
Queensland	28.52	30.24	29.46	29.35	27.91	29.09
South Australia	25.41	29.12	29.33	26.85	27.37	26.21
Western Australia	30.39	29.36	28.45	27.97	27.21	25.54
Tasmania	28.58	30.03	30.33	29.32	28.47	27.03
Northern Territory	6.71	14.21	15.46	13.85	15.26	13.92
Federal Territory .. ..	..	17.97	20.79	19.05	24.11	17.65
Commonwealth	27.16	28.25	28.05	27.25	26.78	26.51

DEATHS.—NUMBER, 1901-1917.

New South Wales	16,021	19,699	16,720	19,585	19,846	17,941
Victoria	15,904	15,474	18,503	15,823	16,489	14,555
Queensland	6,007	6,783	6,731	7,559	7,514	6,555
South Australia	3,974	4,693	4,713	4,694	5,077	4,365
Western Australia	2,519	2,934	3,043	2,992	3,085	2,769
Tasmania	1,814	2,131	1,918	2,015	2,056	1,768
Northern Territory	91	64	81	97	122	63
Federal Territory .. ..	..	11	11	17	8	13
Commonwealth	46,330	51,789	51,720	52,782	54,197	48,029

DEATH RATES.—PER 1000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

New South Wales	11.75	10.89	10.11	10.48	10.63	9.60
Victoria	13.22	11.11	11.59	11.09	11.70	10.36
Queensland	11.98	10.39	9.97	11.00	11.09	9.64
South Australia	11.12	10.82	10.71	10.68	11.72	10.10
Western Australia	13.39	9.34	9.41	9.28	9.80	8.97
Tasmania	10.51	10.87	9.67	10.11	10.38	8.89
Northern Territory	19.10	17.49	21.59	22.03	25.16	12.71
Federal Territory .. ..	..	4.49	4.16	6.89	3.06	5.21
Commonwealth	12.22	10.78	10.51	10.66	11.04	9.80

BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES (Continued).

States and Territories.	1901.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.	1917.
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MARRIAGES.—NUMBER, 1901-1917.

New South Wales	10,538	16,307	17,357	18,095	16,316	13,246
Victoria	8,406	11,324	11,829	12,832	11,342	9,505
Queensland	3,341	5,655	5,894	6,135	5,208	4,868
South Australia	2,304	4,094	4,010	3,965	3,602	3,252
Western Australia	1,821	2,572	2,660	2,581	2,365	1,621
Tasmania	1,338	1,620	1,543	1,600	1,433	1,138
Northern Territory	5	16	17	12	19	34
Federal Territory .. ..	..	6	1	4	4	2
Commonwealth	27,753	41,594	43,311	45,224	40,289	33,666

MARRIAGE RATES.—PER 1000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

New South Wales	7.73	9.02	9.37	9.68	8.74	7.09
Victoria	6.99	8.13	8.31	8.99	8.05	6.76
Queensland	6.66	8.67	8.73	8.93	7.69	7.16
South Australia	6.45	9.44	9.11	9.02	8.31	7.52
Western Australia	9.68	8.19	8.22	8.01	7.51	5.25
Tasmania	7.76	8.27	7.78	8.03	7.23	5.72
Northern Territory	1.05	4.37	4.53	2.73	3.92	6.86
Federal Territory .. ..	..	2.45	0.38	1.62	1.53	0.80
Commonwealth	7.32	8.66	8.80	9.14	8.21	6.87

ESTIMATED MIGRATION—COMMONWEALTH, 1906-1918.

Year.	Arrivals.			Departures.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
1906	33,818	17,069	50,887	37,346	18,590	55,936
1907	45,755	22,883	68,638	42,822	20,621	63,443
1908	48,677	23,531	72,208	45,390	21,381	66,771
1909	57,487	26,122	83,609	42,221	19,605	61,826
1910	65,745	29,947	95,692	45,704	20,076	65,780
1911	96,964	44,945	141,909	50,269	22,340	72,609
1912	110,387	56,571	166,958	59,076	24,141	83,217
1913	90,680	51,226	141,906	60,694	26,439	87,133
1914	74,277	36,809	111,086	100,145	28,311	128,456
1915	50,619	20,342	70,961	144,305	17,709	162,014
1916	48,911	14,494	63,405	180,474	16,823	197,297
1917	55,264	9,825	65,089	76,601	10,438	87,039
January—March, 1918	17,412	2,749	20,161	14,112	2,420	16,532

MIGRATION, COMMONWEALTH.

ARRIVALS and DEPARTURES according to Nationality or Race of Persons who arrived in or departed from the Commonwealth during the First Quarter of the Years 1917 and 1918.

Nationality or Race.	Arrivals.		Departures.	
	1st Quarter—		1st Quarter—	
	1917.	1918.	1917.	1918.
British	8,938	7,290	7,979	6,955
Austrian	1	2	1	..
Danish	38	40	31	26
Dutch	61	36	27	21
French	125	111	90	43
German	19	4	9	..
Greek	48	8	27	3
Italian	66	16	15	8
Norwegian	82	82	96	82
Russian	97	46	108	71
Spanish	12	4	12	3
Swedish	97	52	95	52
Swiss	15	9	4	..
Turkish .. ..	..	..	2	..
United States	282	176	283	180
Other White	220	15	41	24
Total, White Nationalities	10,101	7,891	8,820	7,468
Afghans .. ..	..	..	1	..
Chinese	393	452	636	630
Japanese	477	193	251	543
Malays	114	61	120	197
Natives of India & Ceylon	129	113	118	89
Syrians	6	..	..	..
Other Asiatics	70	145	26	1
Negroes, American	3	..	1	1
Papuans	82	35	71	61
Polynesians, Melanesians	103	63	103	53
Other Coloured	32	11	31	3
Total, Coloured Nationalities or Races ..	1,409	1,078	1,358	1,578
Allowance for unrecorded departures .. ..	..	..	1,349	1,215
Expeditionary Forces ..	1,680	11,192	12,107	6,271
TOTAL, ALL NATIONALITIES OR RACES ..	13,190	20,161	23,634	16,532

MIGRATION, COMMONWEALTH.

ARRIVALS and DEPARTURES according to the Countries whence the Persons arrived or to which they departed during the First Quarter of the Years 1917 and 1918.

Country.	Arrivals.		Departures.	
	1st Quarter.		1st Quarter.	
	1917.	1918.	1917.	1918.
United Kingdom	1,022	791	328	389
Canada	109	262	214	226
Cape Colony	250	38	57	106
Fiji	413	350	250	282
Hong Kong	275	411	641	580
India and Ceylon	501	206	400	260
Natal	3	11	25	180
New Zealand	3,573	3,056	3,410	2,651
Norfolk Island	102	..	59	43
Papua	335	182	206	233
Straits Settlements	565	347	308	736
Other British Possessions	140	214	103	58
Total, British Countries	7,288	5,868	6,001	5,744
China	4	..	21	..
France	81	..	65	1
Germany .. ..	..	..	..	..
Italy .. ..	..	..	..	..
Japan	47	93	170	194
New Caledonia	352	88	111	22
South Sea Islands	134	128	87	13
United States	312	302	327	278
Other Foreign Countries	316	291	353	160
Total, Foreign Countries	1,246	902	1,134	668
Crews discharged or shipped	2,976	2,199	3,043	2,634
Allowance for unrecorded departures .. ..	..	..	1,349	1,215
Expeditionary Forces	1,680	11,192	12,107	6,271
TOTAL, ALL COUNTRIES	13,190	20,161	23,634	16,532

NOMINATED AND SELECTED IMMIGRANTS WHO ARRIVED IN THE COMMONWEALTH DURING 1917.

State.	Nominated.			Selected.			Total.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	
N. S. Wales ...	64	164	228	8	3	11	239
Victoria ...	38	84	122	7	17	24	146
Queensland ...	14	46	60	9	22	31	91
S. Australia ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
W. Australia ...	5	21	26	...	...	...	26
Tasmania ...	...	2	2	...	...	...	2
Total Year 1911	9,930	9,230	19,160	13,592	7,044	20,636	39,796
" " 1912	14,738	15,744	30,482	9,942	6,288	16,230	46,712
" " 1913	11,232	14,627	25,859	7,570	4,016	11,586	37,445
" " 1914	5,036	6,573	11,609	6,412	2,784	9,196	20,805
" " 1915	1,437	2,408	3,845	685	1,266	1,951	5,796
" " 1916	342	792	1,134	79	184	263	1,397
" " 1917	121	317	438	24	42	66	504

Section II.—Production.

PRINCIPAL CROPS IN THE COMMONWEALTH, 1901-2 to 1916-17.

AREA UNDER CROPS.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar Cane.	Total under all Crops.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1901-2 ...	5,115,965	461,430	294,849	1,688,402	132,840	8,414,054
1909-10 ...	6,586,236	698,448	364,585	2,228,029	142,261	10,972,299
1910-11 ...	7,372,456	676,688	414,914	2,258,405	155,542	11,893,838
1911-12 ...	7,427,834	616,857	340,065	2,518,288	144,283	12,107,017
1912-13 ...	7,339,651	874,284	314,936	3,217,041	155,567	13,038,049
1913-14 ...	9,287,398	859,020	331,879	2,754,672	160,976	14,683,012
1914-15 ...	9,651,081	774,734	339,781	2,628,613	172,616	15,651,974
1915-16 ...	12,484,512	721,444	323,637	3,597,771	164,285	18,528,234
1916-17 ...	11,532,828	844,130	360,072	2,671,862	178,190	16,806,380

TOTAL YIELD.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar Cane.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.		
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.
1901-2 ...	38,561,619	9,789,854	7,034,786	2,024,608	1,367,802
1909-10 ...	90,413,597	14,734,868	10,770,648	3,153,196	1,294,575
1910-11 ...	95,111,983	15,428,456	13,044,081	3,176,391	2,000,758
1911-12 ...	71,636,347	9,561,771	8,939,855	2,867,973	1,682,250
1912-13 ...	91,981,070	16,116,712	8,356,158	3,955,311	1,135,141
1913-14 ...	103,344,132	15,232,048	9,173,321	3,372,596	2,271,558
1914-15 ...	24,892,402	4,341,104	8,455,561	1,733,944	2,104,239
1915-16 ...	179,065,703	16,538,979	6,793,509	5,633,988	1,310,264
1916-17 ...	152,420,189	14,016,059	8,527,116	3,507,589	1,723,072

AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.

	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.
1901-2 ...	7.54	21.22	23.86	1.20	15.73
1909-10 ...	13.73	21.10	29.54	1.42	14.95
1910-11 ...	12.90	22.80	31.44	1.41	19.96
1911-12 ...	9.64	15.50	26.29	1.14	16.65
1912-13 ...	12.53	18.43	26.53	1.23	13.47
1913-14 ...	11.13	17.73	27.56	1.22	20.84
1914-15 ...	2.58	5.60	24.89	0.66	18.45
1915-16 ...	14.34	22.92	20.99	1.57	13.04
1916-17 ...	13.22	16.60	23.68	1.31	21.24

AREA UNDER WHEAT—STATES AND COMMONWEALTH, 1901-2 to 1917-18.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Ter.	C'wealth.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1901-2	1,392,070	1,754,417	87,232	1,743,452	94,710	44,084	...	5,115,965
1909-10	1,990,180	2,097,162	117,160	1,895,738	448,918	37,078	...	6,586,236
1910-1	2,128,826	2,398,089	106,718	2,104,717	581,862	52,242	2	7,372,456
1911-2	2,380,710	2,164,066	42,962	2,190,782	612,104	37,208	2	7,427,834
1912-3	2,231,514	2,085,216	124,963	2,079,633	793,096	25,226	3	7,339,651
1913-4	3,205,397	2,565,861	132,655	2,267,851	1,097,193	18,432	9	9,287,398
1914-5	2,758,024	2,863,535	127,015	2,502,630	1,376,012	23,865	...	9,651,081
1915-6	4,188,865	3,679,971	93,703	2,739,214	1,734,117	48,642	...	12,484,512
1916-7	3,806,604	3,125,692	227,778	2,778,357	1,566,608	27,789	...	11,532,828
1917-8*	3,280,600	2,690,216	148,174	2,355,682	1,462,375	21,690	...	9,958,737

* Preliminary figures, except Victorian, which are final. † Including Federal Territory, 742 acres 1911-12, 1014 acres 1912-13, 1825 acres 1913-14, 1661 acres 1914-15, 2372 acres 1915-16, and 905 acres in 1916-17. § Per acre of productive cane.

TOTAL YIELD OF WHEAT—STATES AND COMMONWEALTH, 1901-2 to 1917-18.

Season	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania	N. Ter.	C'wealth.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1901-2	14,808,705	12,127,382	1,692,222	8,012,762	956,886	963,662	...	38,561,619
1909-10	28,532,029	28,780,100	1,571,589	25,133,851	5,602,368	793,660	...	90,413,597
1910-1	27,913,547	34,813,019	1,022,373	24,344,740	5,897,540	1,120,744	20	95,111,983
1911-2	*25,088,102	20,891,877	285,109	20,352,720	4,358,904	659,615	20	71,636,347
1912-3	*32,487,336	26,223,104	1,975,505	21,496,216	9,168,594	630,315	...	91,981,070
1913-4	*38,020,381	32,936,245	1,769,432	16,936,988	13,331,350	549,736	...	103,344,132
1914-5	*12,830,530	3,940,947	1,585,087	3,527,428	2,624,190	384,220	...	24,892,402
1915-6	*66,764,910	58,521,706	414,438	34,134,504	18,236,355	993,790	...	179,065,703
1916-7	*36,598,000	51,162,438	2,463,141	45,745,064	16,103,216	348,330	...	152,420,189
1917-8†	43,557,000	37,737,552	1,405,666	28,692,594	11,923,403	379,575	...	123,695,788

* Including Federal Territory, 7991 bushels 1911-12, 20,830 bushels 1912-13, 24,313 bushels 1913-14, 17,727 bushels 1914-15, 38,451 bushels 1915-16, and 12,620 bushels 1916-17. † Preliminary figures, except Victorian which are final.

AVERAGE YIELD OF WHEAT PER ACRE—STATES AND COMMONWEALTH, 1901-2 to 1917-18.

	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1901-2	10.64	6.91	19.40	4.60	10.10	21.86	...	7.54
1909-10	14.34	13.72	13.41	13.26	12.48	21.41	...	13.73
1910-1	13.11	14.52	9.58	11.57	10.14	21.45	10.00	12.90
1911-2	10.54	9.65	6.64	9.29	7.12	17.73	10.00	9.64
1912-3	14.56	12.58	15.81	10.34	11.56	24.99	...	12.53
1913-4	11.86	12.84	13.34	7.47	12.15	18.97	...	11.13
1914-5	4.65	1.37	12.48	1.41	1.91	16.10	...	2.58
1915-6	15.94	15.90	4.42	12.46	10.52	20.43	...	14.34
1916-7	9.61	16.37	10.82	16.46	10.28	12.53	...	13.22
1917-8	13.28	14.03	9.49	12.18	8.15	17.80	...	12.43

NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVE STOCK—STATES AND COMMONWEALTH, 1901-16.

31st Dec.	N S. W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania	N. Ter.	Fed. Ter.*	C'wealth.
1901...	41,857,099	10,673,265	10,030,971	5,012,216	2,625,855	1,792,481	48,324	..	72,040,211
1909...	46,202,578	12,937,983	19,593,791	6,432,038	4,731,737	1,734,761	43,393	..	91,676,281
1910...	45,560,969	12,882,665	20,331,838	6,267,477	5,158,516	1,788,310	57,240	..	92,047,015
1911...	44,722,523	13,857,804	20,740,981	6,171,907	5,411,542	1,823,017	50,983	224,764	93,003,521
1912...	38,855,861	11,892,224	20,310,036	5,481,489	4,596,958	1,862,669	75,808	188,641	83,263,686
1913...	39,701,348	12,113,682	21,786,600	5,073,057	4,421,375	1,745,356	67,109	148,875	85,057,402
1914...	†32,874,350	12,051,685	23,129,919	4,208,461	4,456,186	1,674,845	70,200	134,679†	78,600,334
1915...	†32,498,046	10,545,632	15,950,154	3,674,547	4,803,850	1,624,450	57,827	102,683†	69,257,189
1916...	†36,086,241	12,576,587	15,524,293	5,091,282	5,529,960	1,702,579	†47,520	110,142†	76,668,604

CATTLE.

1901...	2,047,454	1,623,282	3,772,707	225,256	398,547	168,661	255,521	..	8,491,428
1909...	3,027,727	1,549,640	4,711,782	344,034	793,217	199,945	414,046	..	11,040,391
1910...	3,140,307	1,547,569	5,131,699	384,862	825,040	201,854	513,383	..	11,744,714
1911...	3,185,824	1,647,127	5,073,201	393,566	843,638	217,406	459,780	8,412	11,828,954
1912...	3,033,726	1,508,089	5,210,891	383,418	806,294	222,181	405,552	7,108	11,577,259
1913...	2,815,113	1,528,553	5,322,033	352,905	834,265	205,743	417,643	7,627	11,483,882
1914...	†2,472,631	1,362,542	5,455,943	300,579	863,835	176,524	414,558	†4,961	11,051,573
1915...	†2,400,104	1,043,604	4,780,893	226,565	921,048	163,575	483,961	†5,666	9,931,416
1916...	†2,757,713	1,175,098	4,765,657	†288,887	863,930	179,360	†420,362	†8,230	10,459,237

HORSES.

1901...	486,716	387,277	462,119	165,303	73,710	32,399	12,896	..	1,620,420
1909...	604,784	442,829	555,613	230,405	125,315	40,492	23,479	..	2,022,917
1910...	650,636	472,080	593,813	249,326	134,114	41,388	24,509	..	2,165,866
1911...	687,242	507,813	618,954	259,719	140,277	41,853	21,407	1,762	2,279,027
1912...	714,952	530,494	674,573	276,539	147,629	44,039	18,382	1,505	2,408,113
1913...	744,458	562,331	707,265	283,641	156,636	43,941	22,792	1,712	2,522,776
1914...	†731,735	552,053	742,159	267,877	161,625	42,232	21,985	†1,606	2,521,272
1915...	†718,232	493,779	686,871	253,333	163,016	41,422	19,957	†1,310	2,377,920
1916...	†732,334	514,403	697,517	†257,422	169,730	46,320	†21,674	†1,457	2,440,857

* Part of New South Wales prior to 1911. † As at 30th June year following. ‡ Approximate.
§ Including Federal Territory. ¶ Included with New South Wales.

31st Dec.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania	N. Ter.	Fed. Ter.*	C'wealth
PIGS.									
1901 ...	265,730	334,295	121,541	88,886	61,052	58,716	989	..	931,309
1909 ...	237,849	217,921	124,803	80,410	47,062	55,705	1,387	..	765,137
1910 ...	321,632	333,281	152,212	96,386	57,628	63,715	996	..	1,025,850
1911 ...	370,700	348,069	173,902	93,130	55,635	67,392	1,500	393	1,110,721
1912 ...	293,450	240,072	143,695	69,832	47,351	49,152	1,500	203	845,255
1913 ...	287,896	221,277	140,045	64,119	47,966	37,990	1,018	194	800,505
1914 ...	+286,478	243,196	166,638	69,893	59,816	34,960	1,240	+226	862,447
1915 ...	+280,869	192,002	117,787	66,237	58,231	37,778	500	+289	753,693
1916 ...	+359,504	254,436	129,733	+118,542	90,756	53,033	+500	+259	1,006,763

* Part New South Wales prior to 1911. † As at 30th June year following. ‡ Approximate.
§ Including Federal Territory. ¶ Included with New South Wales.

WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE) PRODUCED—STATES AND COMMONWEALTH, SEASONS 1910-11 to 1916-17.

Season ended 30th June.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania	N. Ter.	C'wealth.
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1911 ...	374,907,068	101,803,644	139,250,802	63,613,781	29,984,453	11,338,540	400,000	721,298,288
1912 ...	371,546,415	110,463,041	142,382,269	60,056,470	30,833,837	10,726,593	400,000	726,408,625
1913 ...	326,804,000	88,762,612	136,878,270	56,691,036	26,849,981	12,416,014	450,000	648,851,913
1914 ...	357,985,000	106,833,690	154,183,114	55,014,048	26,625,787	10,092,564	400,000	711,134,203
1915 ...	318,935,000	95,406,867	155,478,740	38,848,978	24,562,110	9,103,030	400,000	642,734,725
1916 ...	262,044,982	82,330,198	130,783,277	33,969,975	31,914,040	9,212,203	350,000	550,604,675
1917 ...	270,525,000	94,845,024	102,220,125	35,030,855	34,269,303	10,441,978	350,000	547,702,295

* Including Federal Territory. † For year ended previous 31st December.

PRINCIPAL DAIRY PRODUCE—STATES AND COMMONWEALTH, 1901-16.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N.T.	Fed. Ter.*	C'wealth.
BUTTER.									
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1901	39,056,878	46,857,572	9,741,882	4,954,523	336,440	723,771	..	..	101,671,066
1909	62,865,608	55,166,555	24,592,711	8,482,168	414,453	2,751,757	..	..	154,273,252
1910	76,624,830	70,603,787	31,258,333	10,717,486	641,491	3,365,982	..	..	193,211,909
1911	83,176,938	86,500,474	27,858,535	9,694,666	498,047	3,817,455	..	27,630	211,573,745
1912	76,592,967	67,655,834	30,307,339	8,394,557	448,799	3,778,104	..	16,561	187,194,161
1913	77,766,703	73,381,567	35,199,387	8,036,274	518,566	3,843,247	..	12,494	198,758,238
1914	84,126,893	62,421,288	37,230,240	6,252,961	451,112	3,480,531	..	7,387	193,970,412
1915	59,623,885	42,345,113	25,456,714	6,317,613	716,408	3,204,922	..	7,658	137,672,313
1916	+79,410,000	+59,568,771	28,967,279	+9,798,142	1,080,466	3,691,649	..	¶	182,516,307

CHEESE.

	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	..	..	lb.
1901	3,838,835	3,974,668	2,436,912	1,053,160	3,578	268,539	..	..	11,575,692
1909	4,775,268	5,025,834	3,662,497	1,578,378	1,570	731,290	..	..	15,774,837
1910	5,191,089	4,530,893	4,146,661	1,796,231	3,306	868,781	..	..	16,537,011
1911	5,460,652	4,549,843	3,718,257	1,526,930	900	630,130	..	..	15,886,712
1912	5,454,685	4,176,778	3,947,615	1,958,027	..	623,386	..	..	16,160,491
1913	6,620,648	4,856,321	5,395,050	2,216,985	..	654,411	..	..	19,743,415
1914	16,356,627	4,395,502	7,931,869	2,000,547	1,675	554,191	..	..	21,240,411
1915	15,979,636	3,497,278	4,383,410	1,412,692	835	555,375	..	..	15,829,226
1916	+7,575,000	+5,869,562	8,495,825	+2,476,081	665	736,500	..	..	25,153,633

BACON AND HAMS.

	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	..	..	lb.
1901	11,080,891	15,011,616	7,064,714	..	333,393	530,015	..	..	34,020,629
1909	9,931,377	13,620,485	9,228,317	3,348,050	120,623	1,526,115	..	..	37,774,967
1910	12,620,067	16,438,837	10,758,963	3,741,942	121,154	1,468,789	..	..	45,149,752
1911	16,080,157	19,546,772	11,667,654	4,311,497	97,136	1,538,766	..	22,670	53,264,652
1912	16,511,180	20,043,706	12,437,019	3,771,064	114,950	1,299,060	..	15,196	54,192,175
1913	15,180,378	19,289,258	13,709,716	3,265,773	100,143	1,116,535	..	11,885	52,673,688
1914	+13,323,528	18,774,497	13,339,131	3,409,372	112,421	1,612,433	..	3,520	52,574,902
1915	+13,569,022	13,659,974	12,363,939	2,432,485	202,824	895,020	..	7,619	43,130,883
1916	+15,727,000	+18,115,028	10,427,649	+3,993,137	+2,058,027	992,779	..	¶	51,313,620

* Part of New South Wales prior to 1911. † Including Federal Territory. ‡ Year ending 30th June year following. § Including Bacon and Ham cured in Western Australia, from animals slaughtered in other States. ¶ Included with New South Wales.

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED—STATES AND COMMONWEALTH, 1901-17.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	C'wealth.
GOLD.								
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1901 ..	737,164	3,102,753	2,541,764	34,741	7,235,652	295,176	58,481	14,005,732
1909 ..	869,546	2,778,956	1,935,178	30,206	6,776,274	190,201	24,148	12,604,509
1910 ..	802,211	2,422,745	1,874,955	28,000	6,246,848	157,370	21,711	11,553,840
1911 ..	769,353	2,140,855	1,640,323	15,000	5,823,075	132,108	30,910	10,551,624
1912 ..	702,129	2,039,464	1,477,979	28,000	5,448,385	161,300	22,671	9,879,928
1913 ..	635,703	1,847,475	1,128,768	27,800	5,581,701	141,876	13,250	9,376,573
1914 ..	528,873	1,755,236	1,059,674	26,581	5,237,351	111,475	10,757	8,729,947
1915 ..	562,819	1,397,793	1,060,703	25,830	5,140,228	78,784	4,182	8,270,339
1916 ..	459,370	1,090,194	913,951	33,000	4,508,532	67,072	2,554	7,074,673
1917 ..	349,038	846,540	744,537	32,500	4,121,645	61,577	†	†6,155,837
1918 (3 mos.)	83,485	155,657	141,267	8,920	953,577	19,115	†	†1,362,021

SILVER AND LEAD.

1901 ..	1,954,964	6,550	69,234	3,196	7,718	325,335	690	2,367,687
1909 ..	1,839,688	2,310	167,636	673	19,977	298,880	..	2,329,164
1910 ..	2,110,040	2,090	123,086	907	20,210	247,576	..	2,503,909
1911 ..	2,652,548	2,135	79,765	140	33,335	253,361	..	3,021,284
1912 ..	3,745,796	2,200	121,855	326	38,918	309,098	820	4,219,013
1913 ..	4,173,867	2,074	134,121	1,400	82,422	319,997	2,228	4,716,109
1914 ..	3,611,369	1,540	38,640	529	69,228	96,225	545	3,818,076
1915 ..	3,321,101	1,250	34,610	902	63,629	91,689	1,073	3,514,254
1916 ..	3,284,991	1,239	50,588	5,173	34,291	153,796	†	†3,530,078

COPPER.

1901 ...	412,292	...	194,227	493,962	75,246	1,026,748	6,115	2,208,590
1909 ...	424,737	44	853,196	338,587	104,644	608,038	3,742	2,332,988
1910 ...	486,257	450	932,489	306,120	95,928	566,972	1,196	2,389,412
1911 ...	590,102	2,088	1,151,351	332,500	78,118	408,649	1,470	2,564,278
1912 ...	579,791	...	1,698,280	461,500	60,537	440,444	3,998	3,244,550
1913 ...	598,733	2,829	1,660,178	488,986	142,513	375,664	482	3,269,385
1914 ...	274,671	...	1,118,648	417,487	38,174	496,041	4,860	2,349,881
1915 ...	234,437	...	1,428,793	561,247	91,169	709,534	10,710	3,035,890
1916 ...	586,127	...	2,265,422	822,527	64,833	886,454	†	†4,625,363

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1901 ...	76,544	4,181	93,723	...	40,000	212,542	5,586	432,576
1909 ...	211,029	7,067	244,927	...	65,959	418,165	32,741	979,888
1910 ...	228,156	3,706	243,271	...	45,129	399,393	31,173	950,768
1911 ...	307,089	3,417	307,847	...	55,220	513,500	22,900	1,209,973
1912 ...	338,074	5,733	364,503	...	70,578	543,103	27,001	1,348,992
1913 ...	421,292	6,959	343,669	...	72,142	531,983	25,526	1,401,571
1914 ...	267,130	4,955	176,197	...	35,649	259,300	15,200	758,431
1915 ...	266,780	9,447	183,472	...	41,391	292,306	13,245	806,641
1916 ...	306,497	12,955	181,401	...	49,101	350,852	†	†900,806

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1901 ...	2,178,929	147,228	189,877	...	68,561	18,175	...	2,602,770
1909 ...	2,618,596	76,945	270,726	...	90,965	26,464	...	3,083,696
1910 ...	3,009,657	189,254	322,822	...	113,699	48,609	...	3,684,041
1911 ...	3,167,165	301,142	323,998	...	111,154	26,214	...	3,929,673
1912 ...	3,660,015	259,321	338,264	...	135,857	24,568	...	4,418,025
1913 ...	3,770,375	274,940	403,767	...	153,614	25,367	...	4,628,063
1914 ...	3,737,761	289,099	416,292	...	148,684	27,853	...	4,619,689
1915 ...	3,424,630	275,343	409,342	...	137,859	30,418	...	4,277,592
1916 ...	3,336,419	216,875	389,348	...	147,823	27,736	...	4,118,201

ALL MINERALS.

1901 ...	5,679,362	3,262,212	3,114,574	658,408	7,444,772	1,883,776	*	22,043,104
1909 ...	7,406,940	2,900,624	3,655,198	413,390	7,059,052	1,545,222	64,736	23,045,162
1910 ...	8,449,919	2,629,701	3,708,517	411,862	6,522,263	1,432,193	60,706	23,215,191
1911 ...	9,405,901	2,463,865	3,658,738	437,604	6,105,855	1,349,497	59,353	23,480,211
1912 ...	11,226,602	2,331,294	4,175,355	584,458	5,760,207	1,493,502	57,820	25,629,238
1913 ...	11,649,089	2,171,477	3,857,881	632,519	6,036,265	1,415,700	44,626	25,807,557
1914 ...	10,035,038	2,086,183	2,976,280	590,616	5,533,990	1,007,038	35,807	22,264,952
1915 ...	9,598,179	1,737,158	3,322,361	1,000,862	5,478,149	1,225,575	34,498	22,396,782
1916 ...	10,515,184	1,403,770	4,021,007	1,212,874	4,893,417	1,521,050	†	†23,567,302

* Included with South Australia. † Not available. ‡ Exclusive of Northern Territory.

ESTIMATED VALUE OF AUSTRALIAN PRODUCTION, 1908-16.

Year.	Agricultural.	Pastoral.	Dairy, Poultry, and Bee Farming.	Forestry & Fisheries.	Mining.	Manufacturing.*	Total.
	£1000.	£1000.	£1000.	£1000.	£1000.	£1000.	£1000.
1908 ..	37,150	47,259	15,045	4,286	24,580	36,637	164,957
1909 ..	41,056	50,864	15,064	4,462	23,039	39,713	174,198
1910 ..	39,752	56,993	17,387	4,789	23,215	45,598	187,734
1911 ..	38,774	50,725	19,107	5,728	23,480	50,767	188,581
1912 ..	45,754	51,615	20,280	6,432	25,629	57,022	206,732
1913 ..	46,162	57,866	20,341	6,338	25,808	61,586	218,101
1914 ..	36,052	60,265	21,562	6,419	22,265	62,922	209,485
1915 ..	73,769	65,607	21,156	5,777	22,397	62,883	251,589
1916 ..	60,200			5,505	23,622	64,205	

* These amounts differ from those given in the following tables owing to certain products which are there included having been included in Dairy Farming and Forestry in this Table.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN THE COMMONWEALTH, 1908-16.

Year.	No. of Establishments.	Hands Employed.	Salaries and Wages Paid.*	Val. of Plant, Machinery, Land and Buildings.	Value of Materials Used.	Value added by Manufacture.	Value of Output.
1908	12,853	257,494	19,884,367	52,592,439	60,959,226	38,570,405	99,529,631
1909	13,197	266,405	21,105,456	54,533,907	64,028,881	41,929,447	105,958,328
1910	13,822	286,963	23,870,540	58,489,474	72,796,236	48,063,922	120,860,158
1911	14,455	311,772	27,531,876	64,098,144	79,041,576	53,980,514	133,022,090
1912	14,878	327,456	31,287,492	69,270,051	88,275,620	60,499,787	148,775,407
1913	15,536	337,101	33,606,087	74,129,678	96,407,477	65,153,286	161,560,763
1914	15,427	331,579	34,090,428	80,509,703	99,778,884	66,627,039	166,405,923
1915†	15,092	321,071	33,210,654	81,595,698	102,776,082	66,310,618	169,086,700
1916†	15,010	316,917	33,828,840	84,591,946	105,180,445	67,394,400	172,574,845

* Exclusive of amounts drawn by working proprietors. † See notes † and § following table.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—COMPARISON OF PROGRESS IN FACTORIES IN THE SEVERAL STATES OF THE COMMONWEALTH, 1914-1916.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'sland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	C'wealth.
1914.†							
1. Factories ... No.	5,269	5,650	1,796	1,323	787	603	15,428
2. Hands employed* ...	116,611	118,399	43,282	26,874	17,640	8,922	331,728
3. Wages paid† ... £	12,667,721	11,099,940	4,211,489	2,946,296	2,342,428	835,829	34,103,703
4. Value of fuel used ...	1,364,186	804,325	335,219	406,987	210,192	189,012	3,309,921
5. „ materials used ...	42,559,370	28,966,694	15,710,794	7,931,175	2,608,312	1,992,719	99,789,064
6. „ added in process of manufacture ...	25,693,962	20,453,291	9,781,161	5,284,795	3,773,200	1,675,035	66,661,444
7. „ output of factr's. ...	68,253,332	49,439,985	25,491,955	13,215,970	6,381,512	3,667,754	166,450,508
8. „ of land & bldgs. ...	16,843,698	11,248,120	4,434,336	3,047,791	2,409,517	1,144,714	39,128,176
9. „ plant & mchry. ...	16,866,982	10,727,526	6,898,673	3,275,579	2,484,793	1,191,378	41,444,931
1915.†							
1. Factories ... No.	5,269	5,413	1,775	1,266	780	589	15,092
2. Hands employed* ...	116,611	113,834	42,079	25,496	14,631	8,420	321,071
3. Wages paid† ... £	12,667,721	11,036,345	4,226,635	2,705,130	1,791,276	783,547	33,210,654
4. Value of fuel used ...	1,364,186	834,966	300,716	399,731	187,121	110,803	3,197,523
5. „ materials used ...	42,559,370	30,728,743	15,939,583	8,720,436	2,634,700	2,193,250	102,776,082
6. „ added in process of manufacture ...	25,693,962	20,737,350	9,505,229	5,273,787	3,078,093	2,022,197	66,310,618
7. „ of output of factr's. ...	68,253,332	51,466,093	25,444,812	13,994,223	5,712,793	4,215,447	169,086,700
8. „ land & buildings ...	16,843,698	11,460,123	4,446,405	3,072,784	2,363,262	1,132,424	39,318,696
9. „ plant & mchry. ...	16,866,982	11,068,949	7,051,113	3,421,538	2,640,168	1,228,252	42,277,002
1916. §							
1. Factories ... No.	5,210	5,413	1,782	1,266	771	568	15,010
2. Hands employed* ...	116,401	113,834	40,148	25,496	12,676	8,362	316,917
3. Wages paid† ... £	13,413,845	11,036,345	4,181,254	2,705,130	1,656,799	835,467	33,828,840
4. Value of fuel used ...	1,528,220	834,966	310,454	399,731	193,523	116,704	3,383,598
5. „ materials used ...	44,227,079	30,728,743	16,127,926	8,720,436	3,033,638	2,342,623	105,180,445
6. „ added in process of manufacture ...	26,762,785	20,737,350	9,413,098	5,273,787	2,973,473	2,233,907	67,394,400
7. „ of output of factr's. ...	70,989,864	51,466,093	25,541,024	13,994,223	6,007,111	4,576,530	172,574,845
8. „ land & bldgs. ...	17,770,517	11,460,123	5,014,824	3,072,784	2,247,505	1,130,602	40,696,355
9. „ plant & mchry. ...	18,211,104	11,068,949	7,543,873	2,990,702	2,817,863	1,263,100	43,895,591

* Including working proprietors.

† Exclusive of amount drawn by working proprietors.

‡ New South Wales figures for year ended 30th June, 1915. § New South Wales for year ended 30th June, 1916, Victoria and South Australia for calendar year 1915.

**MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—VALUE ADDED BY PROCESSES
OF MANUFACTURE—COMMONWEALTH, 1913-16.**

	1913.	1914 †	1915. †	1916. †
	£	£	£	£
Treating raw materials, product of agricultural and pastoral, etc., pursuits ...	1,908,921	1,949,268	2,256,225	2,652,852
Treating oils and fats ...	662,418	748,670	795,721	860,535
Processes in stone, clay, glass, etc. ...	2,981,056	3,035,994	2,870,186	2,760,853
Working in wood ...	5,391,250	5,332,395	4,504,536	4,023,294
Metal works, machinery, etc. ...	15,023,023	14,608,685	15,067,974	16,141,585
Connected with food and drink, etc. ...	14,459,534	15,808,608	14,877,081	14,424,325
Clothing and textile fabrics, etc. ...	8,373,347	8,390,017	8,744,907	9,114,887
Books, paper, printing and engraving ...	5,017,494	4,875,355	4,790,263	5,036,245
Musical instruments, etc. ...	126,711	105,815	95,864	97,882
Arms and explosives ...	179,211	252,454	310,070	496,842
Vehicles & fittings, saddlery, harness, etc. ...	2,037,552	1,959,913	1,870,653	1,890,041
Ship and boat building and repairing ...	716,861	948,696	1,038,423	862,557
Furniture, bedding and upholstery ...	1,552,124	1,444,893	1,378,311	1,362,753
Drugs, chemicals and by-products ...	1,278,336	1,295,462	1,416,617	1,479,085
Surgical and other scientific instruments ...	44,842	45,624	49,500	54,398
Jewellery, timepieces and platedware ...	397,048	366,103	347,846	355,614
Heat, light and power... ..	4,320,924	4,748,113	5,050,934	4,879,372
Leatherware, n.e.i. ...	201,155	203,958	231,207	241,704
Minor wares, n.e.i. ...	481,479	541,421	614,300	659,576
	65,153,286	66,661,444	66,310,618	67,394,400

* The New South Wales figures are for the year ended 30th June, 1915 † See note § previous table.

**MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Proportion per cent. that Each of the Items of
Outlay bore to the Value of Final Output.—States and Commonwealth, 1916.**

Particulars.	N.S.W. †	Victoria. ‡	Q'land.	S. Aust. ‡	W. Aust.	Tas.	C'wealth.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Wages*	18.90	21.44	16.37	19.33	27.58	18.25	19.60
Fuel	2.15	1.62	1.22	2.86	3.22	2.55	1.96
Materials used	62.30	59.71	63.14	62.31	50.50	51.19	60.95
Margin for profits & miscellaneous expenses and charges	16.65	17.23	19.27	15.50	18.70	28.01	17.49
Total Output ..	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00

* Exclusive of amount drawn by working proprietors. † For year ended 30th June, 1916. ‡ For calendar year 1915.

**MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Amount of Salaries and Wages
paid per Employee*, 1909 to 1916.**

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	C'wealth.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1909	87.27	73.57	82.09	83.08	122.08	86.44	82.97
1910	90.83	78.18	86.79	90.44	123.93	78.81	87.06
1911	96.35	83.48	87.15	99.56	129.80	84.47	92.25
1912	104.44	91.19	93.88	105.62	136.67	90.40	99.74
1913	109.65	94.74	100.05	111.66	132.24	95.18	104.13
1914	†112.94	98.50	100.91	115.31	137.29	98.8	104.59
1915	†112.94	101.75	104.21	111.54	127.35	97.82	108.00
1916 .. ..	||119.30	†101.75	108.13	†111.54	136.29	104.88	111.30

* Exclusive of working proprietors. † For year ended 30th June, 1915. ‡ For calendar year 1915. || For year ended 30th June, 1916.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Number of Males and Females Employed, 1916.

—	N.S.W. †	Victoria. ‡	Q'land.	S. Aust. ‡	W. Aust.	Tas.	C'wealth.
Males ..	87,724	75,971	32,365	20,772	10,259	7,046	234,137
Females ..	28,677	37,863	7,783	4,724	2,417	1,316	82,780
Masculinity* ..	50.7	33.5	61.2	62.9	61.9	68.5	47.8

* Excess of Males over Females per 100 of both sexes combined.

† For year ended 30th June, 1916. ‡ For calendar year 1915.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE AMOUNT OF BOUNTIES PAID DURING THE YEARS 1912-13 TO 1916-17 TOGETHER WITH THE QUANTITIES AFFECTED FOR LAST THREE YEARS.

	BOUNTY PAID.		1914-15.		1915-16.		1916-17.	
	1912-13	1913-14	Quantity on which Bounty was Paid.	Bounty paid.	Quantity on which Bounty was paid.	Bounty paid.	Quantity on which Bounty was paid.	Bounty paid.
BOUNTIES ACT—	£	£		£		£		£
Combed Wool Tops	13,061	12,706	lb. 3,635,811	7,727	2,824,436	5,828	..	..
Flax and Hemp Fibre	215	318	ton 34	77	238	634	122	267
Sisal Hemp .. ..	..	..	lb. ..	..	2,250	2	..	..
Coffee	125	73	.. 17,022	71	732	3	..	..
Oil Materials—								
Cotton Seed	13	1	.. ..	..	22,400	10	..	..
Linseed	9	..	.. ..	..	..	..	..	..
Cotton, Ginned	95	21	.. ..	..	13,751	22	..	..
Tobacco Leaf	215	344	.. 41,891	349	17,423	145	57,795	488
Fruits, Dried	587	433	.. 41,312	97	6,000	16	579,334	2,063
Fish, Preserved	103	80	.. 74,991	156	50,351	106	84,878	177
SUGAR BOUNTIES ACT—								
Sugar	370,306	149,244	.. ..	..	..	..	..	..
		*						
SHALE OIL BOUNTIES ACT—								
Kerosene	2,792	152	.. ..	..	..	..	..	..
Refined Paraffin Wax	967	177	.. ..	..	..	..	..	..
MANUFACTURES ENCOURAGEMENT ACT—								
Puddled Bar Iron ..	38	..	.. ..	..	..	..	..	..
Pig Iron	16,949	40,121	ton 20,008	12,005	..	..	28,635	11,454
Wire Netting	1,110	4,554	.. 347	593	..	..	..	..
Galvanized Sheet or Plate .. ..	..	..	.. ..	..	..	..	..	..
Steel .. ..	..	7,136	.. 4,124	2,474	..	..	..	..
IRON BOUNTY ACT—								
Pig Iron .. ..	..	..	.. 49,520	19,808	61,162	24,465	..	..
TOTAL	406,585	215,360	..	43,357	..	31,231	..	14,449

* Including £1001 bounty paid on Beet Sugar.

Section III.—Shipping and Commerce.

SHIPPING.—NET TONNAGE ENTERED AND CLEARED.

Year.	Tonnage Entered.			Tonnage Cleared.		
	With Cargo	In Ballast	Total.	With Cargo	In Ballast	Total.
1906 ..	2,767,280	1,238,865	4,006,145	3,855,193	105,320	3,960,513
1907 ..	2,828,786	1,643,280	4,472,066	4,154,783	196,017	4,350,800
1908 ..	3,046,051	1,249,628	4,295,679	4,061,927	223,545	4,285,472
1909 ..	3,219,498	1,141,696	4,361,194	3,953,578	201,979	4,155,557
1910 ..	3,604,554	1,003,266	4,607,820	4,535,642	189,684	4,725,326
1911 ..	3,914,784	1,078,436	4,993,220	4,869,013	122,568	4,991,581
1912 ..	4,281,702	881,655	5,163,357	5,019,509	92,448	5,111,957
1913 ..	4,369,455	1,002,076	5,371,531	5,125,766	104,651	5,230,417
1914 ..	4,166,193	1,109,469	5,275,662	5,304,459	152,733	5,457,192
1914-15 ..	3,603,742	571,213	4,174,955	4,077,588	346,715	4,424,303
1915-16 ..	3,624,740	644,744	4,269,484	3,900,059	368,779	4,268,838
1916-17 ..	2,979,524	871,768	3,851,292	3,648,900	194,250	3,843,150
1917-18, July to March	1,606,296	401,729	2,008,025	1,957,141	79,711	2,036,852

COMMERCE.—VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA IMPORTS.

States and Territories.	1901.	1912.	1913.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
N.S.W. ..	17,560,207	32,303,124	32,350,663	27,323,189	33,379,697	32,741,792
Victoria ..	12,686,880	25,081,074	24,387,073	21,050,310	26,761,922	25,474,839
Q'land ..	3,515,667	7,456,917	6,714,942	6,428,688	7,000,931	6,263,102
S. Aus. ..	3,927,206	6,972,765	7,348,203	4,748,489	5,152,210	6,118,458
W. Aus. ..	3,895,151	5,317,392	5,407,714	3,986,198	4,169,109	4,386,118
Tasmania	811,361	1,009,198	1,025,081	811,255	982,849	1,161,595
N. Terr. ..	37,539	18,130	20,977	83,708	74,424	82,775
Aus. War-ships ..	..	..	2,495,000	..	..	..
C'wlth	42,434,011	78,158,600	79,749,653	64,431,837	77,521,142	76,228,679

VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA EXPORTS.*

N.S.W. ..	18,210,627	32,958,529	32,887,789	28,106,971	40,958,316	50,290,824
Victoria ..	13,075,259	19,113,121	17,837,591	12,349,662	14,748,730	19,030,146
Q'land ..	4,333,846	9,209,454	12,352,748	13,015,484	8,105,930	14,542,270
S. Aus. ..	4,432,778	9,615,279	9,809,763	3,566,335	6,136,085	8,533,912
W. Aus. ..	7,941,001	7,640,707	5,102,240	3,120,798	4,196,188	4,645,568
Tasmania	1,673,470	499,894	513,727	420,007	612,119	899,511
N. Terr. ..	29,191	59,106	67,911	13,319	20,953	13,251
C'wlth ..	49,696,172	79,096,090	78,571,769	60,592,576	74,778,321	97,955,482

* Goods destined for oversea countries are largely transferred from one State to another for transhipment to the oversea country. For 1910 and the subsequent years such goods are, in this table, shown against the State from which they were finally despatched from the Commonwealth. The exports from New South Wales and Victoria—the States in which transhipments are chiefly made—are thus inflated by the inclusion of goods consigned from other States. Owing to the discontinuance of the records of interstate trade from the 13th September, 1910, adjustment on account of transhipments can no longer be made. Taking the annual average of the transhipments recorded during the years 1907, 1908, and 1909, the New South Wales figures include exports of other States amounting to £3,036,672 net per annum, and Victoria £1,003,714, which were originally despatched as follows:—From Queensland, £1,376,484; South Australia, £1,018,592; Western Australia, £8884; and Tasmania, £1,636,426. The great difference between the value of exports from Tasmania during the year 1901 and subsequent years is due to the fact that in the former year goods despatched from Tasmania for transhipment in other States were recorded as oversea exports from Tasmania, whereas in the later years they are included, for the most part, as exports from New South Wales and Victoria.

TOTAL VALUE AND VALUE PER HEAD OF POPULATION OF THE EXTERNAL TRADE OF THE COMMONWEALTH, 1901-1916-17.

Year	Value.					Value per Head.				
	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.			Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.		
			Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.			Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1901	92,094,057	42,408,548*	47,741,776	1,943,733	49,685,509	24 5 11	11 3 9	12 11 11	0 10 3	13 2 2
1902	84,593,460	40,678,238*	41,268,781	2,646,441	43,915,222	21 19 8	10 11 5	10 14 6	0 13 9	11 8 3
1903	86,061,583	37,811,471*	45,658,883	2,591,229	48,250,112	22 2 1	9 14 3	11 14 7	0 13 3	12 7 10
1904	94,506,757	37,020,842	55,100,167	2,385,748	57,485,915	23 19 4	9 7 9	13 19 6	0 12 1	14 11 7
1905	95,187,766	38,346,731	54,127,758	2,713,277	56,841,035	23 15 10	9 11 9	13 10 7	0 13 6	14 4 1
1906	114,482,675	44,744,912	66,299,874	3,437,889	69,737,763	28 3 10	11 0 4	16 6 7	0 16 11	17 3 6
1907	124,633,280	51,809,033	69,816,500	3,007,747	72,824,247	30 4 5	12 11 3	16 18 7	0 14 7	17 13 2
1908	114,110,331	49,799,273	62,118,903	2,192,155	64,311,058	27 4 1	11 17 5	14 16 2	0 10 6	15 6 8
1909	116,490,732	51,171,896	62,843,711	2,475,125	65,318,836	27 5 0	10 11 9	14 14 0	0 11 7	15 5 7
1910	134,505,501	60,014,351	71,836,195	2,654,955	74,491,150	30 15 6	13 14 8	16 8 9	0 12 1	17 0 10
1911	146,449,746	66,967,488	76,205,210	3,277,048	79,482,258	32 12 4	14 18 3	16 19 6	0 14 7	17 14 1
1912	157,254,690	78,158,600	75,951,563	3,134,527	79,096,090	33 17 2	16 16 7	16 7 1	0 13 6	17 0 7
1913	158,321,422	79,749,653	75,138,147	3,433,622	78,571,769	32 19 2	16 12 0	15 12 10	0 14 4	16 7 2
1914†	77,707,584	39,777,497	36,265,764	1,664,323	37,930,087	15 13 9	6 0 7	7 6 5	0 6 9	7 13 2
1914-15	125,024,413	64,431,837	58,122,573	2,470,003	60,592,576	25 6 1	13 0 9	11 15 11	0 9 5	12 5 4
1915-16	152,299,463	77,521,142	71,792,525	2,985,796	74,778,321	30 17 8	15 14 5	14 11 2	0 12 1	15 3 3
1916-17	174,184,161	76,228,679	95,039,973	2,915,509	97,955,482	35 14 7	15 12 9	19 9 11	0 11 11	20 1 10

* Owing to the failure to record as Oversea Imports, goods received in one State of the Commonwealth for transshipment to another State thereof, it has been estimated that the value of Imports given in this table is understated by the following amounts:—1901, £2,121,500; 1902, £1,546,924; 1903, £1,024,211.

† Does not include the value of Stores shipped in Australian Ports on board oversea ships. The value of Ships' Stores was in 1906, £875,966; 1907, £998,897; 1908, £1,196,106; 1909, £1,071,677; 1910, £1,080,133; 1911, £1,238,446; in 1912, £1,431,985; in 1913, £1,458,702; in the first six months of 1914, £771,581; in 1914-15, £1,587,757; in 1915-16, £1,544,872; and in 1916-17 £1,676,116.

‡ First six months only.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.			Excess of Exports.		
	Mer- chandise.	Specie & Bullion.	Total.	Mer- chandise.	Specie & Bullion.	Total.	Mer- chandise.	Specie & Bullion.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1901	41,473,684	934,864	42,408,548	34,415,290	15,270,219	49,685,509	—7,058,394	14,335,355	7,276,961
1902	39,219,059	1,459,179	40,678,238	28,547,729	15,367,493	43,915,222	—10,671,330	13,908,314	3,236,984
1903	36,551,542	1,259,929	37,811,471	29,126,154	19,123,958	48,250,112	—7,425,388	17,864,029	10,438,641
1904	35,816,994	1,203,848	37,020,842	39,718,846	17,767,369	57,485,915	3,901,852	16,563,221	20,465,073
1905	36,796,436	1,550,295	38,346,731	45,045,521	11,795,514	56,841,035	8,249,085	10,245,219	18,494,304
1906	42,413,935	2,330,917	44,744,912	52,027,830	17,709,933	69,737,763	9,613,835	15,379,016	24,992,851
1907	49,974,833	1,834,200	51,809,033	61,636,787	11,187,460	72,824,247	11,661,954	9,353,260	21,015,214
1908	48,608,921	1,190,352	49,799,273	50,120,838	14,190,220	64,311,058	1,511,917	12,999,868	14,511,785
1909	50,115,521	1,056,375	51,171,896	56,638,552	8,680,284	65,318,836	6,523,031	7,623,909	14,146,940
1910	58,682,391	1,331,960	60,014,351	69,855,873	4,635,277	74,491,150	11,173,482	3,303,317	14,476,799
1911	64,997,907	1,969,581	66,967,488	67,435,172	12,047,086	79,482,258	2,437,265	10,077,505	12,514,770
1912	76,483,360	1,675,240	78,158,600	66,634,490	12,461,600	79,096,090	—9,848,870	10,786,360	937,490
1913	78,196,109	1,553,544	79,749,653	74,773,034	3,798,735	78,571,769	—3,423,075	2,245,191	—1,177,884
1914*	38,911,464	866,033	39,777,497	36,317,810	1,612,277	37,930,087	—2,593,654	746,244	—1,847,410
1914-15	63,563,781	868,056	64,431,837	57,684,910	2,907,666	60,592,576	—5,878,871	2,039,610	—3,839,261
1915-16	76,740,899	780,243	77,521,142	64,020,233	10,758,088	74,778,321	—12,720,666	9,977,845	—2,742,821
1916-17	75,954,890	273,789	76,228,679	85,939,977	12,015,505	97,955,482	9,985,087	11,741,716	21,726,803

* First six months only.

Imports.

Value of Principal Articles of Merchandise Imported during the quarter ending 31st March, 1917 and 1918, and during the first Nine months of the financial years 1916-17 and 1917-18.

Articles.	PERIOD.			
	Qtr. ending Mar. 31st, 1917.	Qtr. ending Mar. 31st, 1918.	First 9 months, 1916-17.	First 9 months 1917-18.
	£	£	£	£
Ale and Beer	32,519	10,248	156,875	48,758
Animals Living—Horses	9,340	13,569	26,843	33,392
Cattle	3,749	10,473	10,905	14,665
Sheep	10,551	2,778	15,004	5,169
Apparel and all Descriptions of Soft Goods	4,927,251	5,872,525	17,620,036	14,012,405
Biscuits	1,177	66	6,978	369
Bones, Hoofs and Horns	934	673	1,418	1,730
Boots and Shoes	128,135	63,234	369,057	203,291
Butter	535	93	29,860	510
Cement (Portland)	1,703	..	20,520	949
Cheese	750	620	4,699	2,473
Coal	41,289	14,444	51,071	58,050
Cocoa and Chocolate	117,735	53,899	488,823	169,819
Coffee and Chicory—all forms ..	17,891	11,361	60,834	61,336
Concentrates, other than Gold ..	..	..	..	763
Copper Ingots and Copper contained in Matte .. .. .	..	..	3	21
Cordage and Twines	263,095	288,639	815,268	793,477
Drugs and Chemicals	343,604	507,342	1,322,251	1,317,264
Earthenware, China, etc.	88,039	86,549	329,641	218,215
Fish (all kinds)	302,699	347,127	771,004	620,315
Fruits, Dried—Currants	24	2	41	4
Raisins	283	2,291	758	4,636
Other	20,215	7,895	84,976	27,671
Fruits, Fresh—Apples	3,443	3,912	51,930	15,062
All other	73,029	43,185	190,513	100,914
Furniture	14,450	9,583	50,945	23,408
Glass and Glassware	165,198	135,279	504,382	330,754
Grain and Pulse, Unprepared—				
Barley .. .. .	..	..	7	8
Maize	1,673	8	8,004	118
Oats	176	85	636	199
Wheat	3	7	5	7
Other (including Beans and Peas)	5,861	10,984	15,127	27,093
Grain and Pulse, Prepared—				
Bran, Pollard and Sharps ..	..	..	1	1
Flour (Wheaten)	261	76	776	154
Oatmeal, etc.	1,516	1,343	4,976	4,758
Rice	23,278	25,220	50,384	147,724
Other	973	1,433	8,664	5,237
Hats and Caps	56,010	59,047	262,582	201,329
Hay and Chaff	25	11	194	31
Hops	14,424	28	23,697	5,179

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC. (Continued).

Articles.	PERIOD.			
	Qtr. ending Mar. 31st, 1917.	Qtr. ending Mar. 31st, 1918.	First 9 months, 1916-17.	First 9 months, 1917-18.
	£	£	£	£
Implements and Machinery—				
Agricultural, Horticultural and				
Viticultural	187,989	176,500	526,737	428,406
Indiarubber Goods	198,283	281,702	857,798	796,470
Iron and Steel—				
Bar, Rod, etc., Blooms, Slabs,				
etc., Girders, Joists, etc. ..	394,324	153,833	1,367,043	556,961
Galvanized—Plate and Sheet	60,269	142,826	679,439	362,473
Pig and Scrap	7,443	3,791	74,912	19,281
Jams and Jellies	1,547	131	5,340	481
Jute Goods, including Bags and				
Sacks (Bran, Flour, and Corn,				
Gunny, and Ore and Woolpack)	494,861	963,129	2,380,759	2,861,863
Lead—Pig, and Lead contained in				
Matte .. .. .	..	..	16	..
Leather	176,158	40,691	452,461	232,908
Machines and Machinery (all kinds,				
except Agricultural, for which				
see "Implements")	973,491	717,157	2,689,261	1,881,182
Manures	114,574	119,446	461,192	343,309
Matches and Vestas	32,277	59,061	163,498	154,389
Meats, Preserved by Cold Process—				
Beef	196	276	1,264	677
Mutton and Lamb .. .. .	..	20	26	20
Poultry	48	20	116	39
Rabbits and Hares .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Meats, Preserved in Tins	19,277	13,314	34,523	35,806
Metals, Manufactures of	825,310	753,466	2,697,282	1,940,567
Milk—Concentrated and Preserved	16,401	100	43,173	10,710
Oil—Kerosene	166,645	102,342	468,318	305,191
Onions	115	47	320	117
Ores (exclusive of Gold Ores) ..	9,447	8,125	36,158	19,709
Paints, Colours and Varnishes ..	186,597	170,116	562,450	407,571
Paper—				
Printing	450,261	355,306	1,409,987	885,230
All Other	340,399	284,593	1,299,810	768,991
Pearlshell .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Pickles and Sauces	21,308	29,650	71,539	77,153
Potatoes	271	193	831	318
Railway Material—				
Rails, Fish-plates, etc. ..	13,678	1,765	69,962	7,198
Silver—Bullion and Silver contained				
in Matte	406	33,811	577	76,152
Skins—				
Hides	11,864	26,792	154,356	63,036
Rabbit and Hare	587	84	6,141	2,483
Sheep	5,645	1,954	12,809	7,091
Other	37,359	48,010	98,437	169,824
Soap	12,370	13,503	60,876	37,544
Spirits—				
Brandy	20,984	18,299	171,746	70,251
Gin (including Schnapps) ..	21,759	17,374	122,696	51,553
Rum	5,296	6,016	21,146	19,440
Whisky	265,222	272,118	1,106,718	903,157
Other	39,687	36,300	129,003	110,908

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES ETC. (Continued).

Articles.	PERIOD.			
	Qtr. ending Mar. 31st, 1917.	Qtr. ending Mar. 31st, 1918.	First 9 months, 1916-17.	First 9 months, 1917-18.
	£	£	£	£
Sugar (Cane)	506,344	32,754	1,019,924	237,546
Tea	328,811	355,208	1,196,191	1,269,031
Timber	326,642	387,508	1,178,263	1,013,639
Tin Ingots	380	..	568	1,051
Tinned Plates	332,404	346,463	1,140,727	606,641
Tobacco—				
Manufactured	33,417	16,470	98,614	45,454
Unmanufactured	275,663	98,420	567,142	173,356
Cigars	23,122	23,109	71,018	66,360
Cigarettes	12,762	8,867	48,051	34,176
Tools of Trade	141,022	117,833	433,828	320,165
Wine, Fermented—				
Sparkling	9,013	5,342	33,119	13,921
Other	5,956	3,182	21,999	15,324
Wool—				
Greasy	409,459	70	444,892	570
Scoured and Washed	1,444	..	12,165	..
All other Articles	4,009,954	4,376,396	13,580,135	11,792,159
GRAND TOTAL	18,200,579	18,207,512	61,445,044	47,655,110

STATEMENT SHEWING THE IMPORTS INTO THE COMMONWEALTH of the undermentioned Goods—the Produce or Manufacture of United Kingdom, Other British Countries, Japan, and United States of America, during the Nine Months ended 31st March, 1918.

Heading.	United Kingdom.	Other British Countries.	Japan.	U.S. America.	Total, All Countries.
	£	£	£	£	£
Ale and Beer	47,983	13	9	7	48,758
Apparel and Softgoods ..	9,697,724	133,667	1,624,942	1,070,178	15,012,405
Boots and Shoes	111,502	6,246	12,663	57,323	203,291
Cocoa and Chocolate ..	9,804	55,607	..	43,423	169,819
Confectionery	4,468	61	30	16,225	21,994
Cordage and Twines ..	629,109	39,679	19,543	103,745	793,477
Drugs and Chemicals ..	727,632	21,870	54,909	331,597	1,317,264
Earthenware, China, &c. ..	114,870	402	96,010	5,053	218,215
Fruit (Fresh and Dried) ..	4	96,041	11	36,704	148,287
Rice .. ..	..	96,748	1,738	..	147,724
Hats and Caps	85,685	1,015	55,266	30,507	201,329
Implements and Machinery	656,804	178,510	37,599	1,234,164	2,329,368
Musical Instruments ..	64,371	10,382	7,997	230,059	322,403
Iron and Steel	316,620	23,733	..	575,750	938,715
Jute Goods—Bags, Sacks, &c.	24,610	2,836,639	98	129	2,861,863
Leather	13,003	8,363	524	209,516	232,908
Manures	296	233,551	..	..	343,309
Metals, Manufactures of ..	665,185	92,336	82,452	1,044,398	1,940,567
Oils in Bulk	46,668	73,059	76,529	1,030,674	1,939,302
Paints & Colours, Varnishes ..	182,967	778	41,381	170,726	407,571
Paper	270,543	322,506	33,736	521,126	1,654,221
Rubber Goods	133,543	193,707	6,923	258,826	796,470
Spirits	937,927	47,707	286	35,433	1,155,309
Timber	480	423,619	31,611	442,113	1,013,639
Tobacco, Manufactured ..	6,471	649	..	36,319	45,454
Tobacco, Unmanufactured ..	..	12	219	106,339	173,356
Vehicles	143,388	123,800	2,669	986,887	1,285,872
All other Articles	3,396,491	3,573,914	1,205,393	2,824,817	12,932,220
Total Merchandise ..	18,288,148	8,599,614	3,392,538	11,402,038	47,655,110

PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL, AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN ORIGIN EXPORTED FROM THE COMMONWEALTH, 1905-1916-17.

	Butter.	Flour.	Wheat.	Wool.		Mutton and Lamb.	Beef.
				Greasy.	Scoured.		
QUANTITY.							
	lbs.	Tons.*	Bushels.†	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.	lbs.
1905 ..	55,904,151	154,219	24,648,182	380,420,424	56,775,423	86,858,344	43,525,086
1906 ..	75,765,536	166,875	30,262,335	415,353,590	64,889,295	90,692,385	41,561,252
1907 ..	66,076,915	163,437	28,784,130	512,756,895	72,318,065	109,227,757	52,050,592
1908 ..	51,193,311	116,803	15,027,388	471,832,275	70,915,494	91,607,614	40,711,516
1909 ..	55,644,925	129,969	31,549,498	529,020,213	74,082,419	116,915,639	71,142,295
1910 ..	87,894,943	139,946	47,761,895	587,090,469	78,178,300	190,229,330	109,427,528
1911 ..	101,722,136	175,891	55,147,840	578,823,623	71,770,640	129,569,295	108,786,417
1912 ..	66,679,120	168,094	32,604,247	557,832,718	63,254,106	115,371,981	142,210,076
1913 ..	75,795,642	221,658	42,922,887	531,434,544	64,450,086	204,931,783	218,918,606
1914-15	54,021,523	53,513	4,210,593	443,953,830	64,949,291	193,263,877	292,066,489
1915-16	16,722,010	146,955	28,621,440	408,631,163	79,879,065	38,343,628	114,676,104
1916-17	74,878,634	290,633	55,278,872	333,213,655	56,686,836	66,912,809	242,081,686

VALUE.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1905 ..	2,331,595	1,160,813	4,174,128	15,574,516	4,247,700	1,111,969	441,925
1906 ..	3,238,304	1,216,806	4,913,798	17,547,037	5,098,732	1,095,120	434,455
1907 ..	2,890,261	1,296,252	4,801,722	22,928,011	5,963,819	1,377,502	575,732
1908 ..	2,386,548	1,034,391	3,089,591	18,027,930	4,885,730	1,219,107	451,551
1909 ..	2,399,693	1,229,481	6,628,683	20,603,450	4,879,660	1,231,035	733,210
1910 ..	3,951,131	1,244,165	9,933,561	23,439,098	5,338,089	2,161,513	1,179,146
1911 ..	4,637,362	1,391,529	9,641,608	21,394,798	4,676,395	1,633,622	1,102,132
1912 ..	3,342,320	1,456,668	6,403,237	22,073,172	4,281,391	1,592,378	1,630,731
1913 ..	3,564,925	1,863,667	7,987,477	21,479,682	4,797,280	2,896,532	2,652,275
1914-15	2,659,030	509,389	859,027	17,476,637	4,625,545	3,413,848	4,990,054
1915-16	1,022,742	1,738,717	7,997,583	20,140,990	6,525,031	769,752	2,175,894
1916-17	5,301,273	3,463,363	13,374,511	21,892,125	6,613,498	1,540,572	4,947,070

* 2000 lbs.

† 60 lbs.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE.

STATEMENT shewing the Gross Revenue from Customs and Excise, under the Sixteen Tariff Divisions, and the Total Net Revenue collected, during the first Three Months of 1917 and 1918, during the whole of 1916 and 1917, and during the first Nine Months of the financial years 1916-17 and 1917-18.

Compiled from information supplied by the Department of Trade and Customs.
(Subject to Revision.)

Division.	March Quarter.		Years—		Nine Months of Financial Year	
	1917.	1918.	1916.	1917.	1916-17.	1917-18.
CUSTOMS.	£	£	£	£	£	£
1. Ales, Spirits, and Beverages	492,408	339,244	2,203,780	2,049,466	1,364,261	1,272,597
2. Tobacco, and Manufactures thereof ...	365,204	356,640	1,595,427	1,511,974	1,169,145	1,126,624
3. Sugar... ..	149,858	41,571	652,654	434,522	287,304	102,952
4. Agricultural Products and Groceries " " ...	205,430	160,923	1,133,927	717,151	717,151	483,945
5. Textiles, etc., and Attire	869,951	769,111	3,455,704	2,561,395	2,733,378	1,937,400
6. Metals and Machinery ...	404,072	328,978	1,590,433	1,173,029	1,199,764	846,208
7. Oils, Paints, and Varnishes	83,018	80,468	394,973	280,655	285,042	206,690
8. Earthenware, etc. ...	60,875	51,188	311,851	191,196	210,771	137,515
9. Drugs and Chemicals ...	41,588	50,476	176,845	162,640	134,741	136,524
10. Wood, Wicker, and Cane	66,323	50,444	360,284	230,634	227,505	160,335
11. Jewellery & Fancy Goods	73,059	72,385	365,730	292,111	272,731	226,756
12. Leather and Rubber ...	131,890	101,850	584,228	429,504	404,430	286,694
13. Paper and Stationery ...	109,556	90,653	420,721	353,017	348,963	256,387
14. Vehicles	83,853	107,174	551,889	374,189	305,425	265,284
15. Musical Instruments ...	24,695	30,582	114,874	111,871	83,879	92,570
16. Miscellaneous	73,289	90,486	333,576	296,644	268,539	250,633
Other Miscellaneous Receipts	9,833	8,619	21,693	43,928	28,442	31,833
Total Customs ...	3,244,902	2,730,792	14,268,589	11,213,926	10,041,471	7,820,947
EXCISE.						
Beer	399,975	497,157	1,440,615	1,520,052	1,088,714	1,312,127
Spirits	143,094	156,819	677,405	761,287	436,550	540,268
Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes, and Snuff	267,446	317,959	1,188,592	1,184,209	862,443	924,277
Licences, etc.	1,286	906	5,739	5,849	5,341	4,866
Total Excise ...	811,801	972,841	3,312,351	3,471,397	2,393,048	2,781,638
Total Gross Customs and Excise Collection ...	4,056,703	3,703,633	17,580,940	14,685,323	12,434,519	10,602,585
Drawbacks and Repayments	133,239	112,596	496,092	548,905	385,904	360,513
TOTAL NET REVENUE ...	3,923,464	3,591,037	17,084,848	14,136,418	12,048,615	10,242,072

Section IV.—Finance. **COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND.** **RECEIPTS.**

Source of Revenue.	1901-2.	1912-3.	1913-4.	1914-5.	1915-6.	1916-7.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Customs	7,669,970	13,055,924	12,652,737	12,105,698	13,621,471	12,373,664
Excise	1,224,349	2,497,109	2,325,333	2,771,556	3,323,470	3,236,623
Land Tax ... ..	...	1,564,794	1,609,836	1,953,696	2,040,176	2,121,952
Probate and Succession Duties ... ..	...	...	...	39,646	625,990	1,062,168
Income Tax ... ..	...	...	...	...	3,933,471	5,621,950
Post, Telegraph, and Telephone	2,372,861	4,226,313	4,511,307	4,594,542	5,055,183	5,498,517
Patents, Trade Marks, etc. ... ..	...	23,992	98,325	21,906	20,670	20,599
Northern Territory ... ..	...	40,084	54,777	53,026	61,284	73,255
Coinage ... ..	...	122,647	208,348	208,515	359,720	354,276
Trading Vessels ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1,272,621
Other Receipts	29,805	376,221	351,112	671,213	1,586,508	2,431,809
Total Revenue	11,296,985	21,907,084	21,741,775	22,419,798	30,627,943	34,067,434
Per head of population	£ s. d. 2 19 0	£ s. d. 4 12 7	£ s. d. 4 9 3	£ s. d. 4 10 9	£ s. d. 6 4 4	£ s. d. 6 19 9

DISBURSEMENTS.

Departments and Purposes.	1901-2.	1912-3.	1913-4.	1914-5.	1915-6.	1916-7.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT...	29,185	21,648	17,815	24,750	23,497	25,279
PARLIAMENT	122,796	281,261	243,013	340,605	263,236	344,060
DEPARTMENT OF THE PRIME MINISTER						
Prime Minister's Office	<i>a</i>	9,143	8,961	11,086	11,623	
Auditor-General, Staff, etc. (<i>b</i>)	<i>c</i>	10,663	12,144	11,943	13,712	
Public Service Commissr., Staff, etc.	<i>d</i>	20,683	22,200	23,255	21,016	
Miscellaneous	<i>a</i>	17,368	39,418	10,357	15,209	
Total Dept. of Prime Minister		57,857	82,723	56,641	61,560	<i>g</i> 276,389
DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY—						
Treasury	4,592	17,052	22,654	26,291	26,608	37,993
Land and Income Tax Office ... ..	...	72,784	76,617	82,296	132,183	198,920
Invalid and Old Age Pensions Office ... ..	...	42,543	44,992	46,421	47,652	52,214
Old Age Pensions, etc. ... ..	...	2,288,388	2,579,265	2,731,940	2,859,766	<i>i</i> 453,344
Maternity Allowance ... ..	...	412,375	674,990	694,675	659,715	662,030
Administration ... ..	...	5,867	10,137	12,267	11,499	13,263
Other Expenditure	<i>e</i> 7,545	48,555	75,822	<i>f</i> 158,289	322,575	128,158
New Works ... ..	...	4,076	1,637	6,396	2,267	2,085
Total Dept. of Treasury	12,137	2,891,640	3,486,114	3,758,575	4,062,265	1,548,007
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT—						
High Court & Court of Conciliation ... ..	...	28,024	39,857	35,373	40,855	42,849
Patents, Trade Marks, etc. ... ..	...	22,768	24,982	24,152	21,286	21,856
Other Expenditure	2,680	15,725	17,599	19,256	23,534	29,490
Total Attorney-General's Dept.	2,680	66,517	82,438	78,781	85,675	94,195
DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS—						
Administrative	7,718	16,486	18,360	17,547	19,052	
High Commissioner's Office... ..	...	24,351	27,607	26,698	25,755	
Papua	20,000	64,987	60,652	44,126	49,886	
Northern Territory ... ..	...	281,140	334,831	413,436	656,613	
Port Augusta Railway ... ..	...	85,965	102,394			
Mail Service to the Pacific ... ..	...	19,850	21,350	20,067	21,050	
Advertising Resources of the C'wealth ... ..	...	19,773	41,979	24,219	3,873	
Miscellaneous	5,158	47,438	70,685	49,085	48,429	
New Works, Northern Territory ... ..	...	63,564	50,545	29,887	36,603	
Other ... ..	...	1,726	108	760	893	
Total Dept. of External Affairs	32,876	625,280	728,511	625,825	862,154	<i>h</i>
DEPART. OF HOME AND TERRITORIES ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	<i>g</i> 1,208,962

(a) Included in department of External Affairs (b) Further expenditure on account of audit (£13,767 in 1914-15) is charged against Customs, Defence, and Post departments. (c) Included in Treasury department. (d) Included in department of Home Affairs. (e) Includes Audit department subsequently included in Prime Minister's department (f) Including Belgian grant, £100,000. (g) Including expenditure formerly under department of External Affairs. (h) See Prime Minister's department and department of Home and Territories. (i) In addition £3,000,000 were spent from Trust Funds.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND (Continued).

Departments and Purposes.	1901-2.	1912-3.	1913-4.	1914-5.	1915-6.	1916-7.
DEPT. OF DEFENCE—	£	£	£	£	£	£
Central Administration	12,250	74,480	86,250	88,233	103,825	
Royal Military College ... ..	...	39,713	49,056	48,221	48,950	
Factories (Defence requisites) work- ing expenses ... ..	...	90,478	82,554	58,792	182,190	
Naval Agreement	104,969	166,600	...	...	...
Naval Forces	46,246	624,150	967,583	2,289,056	43,736,655	
Military Forces	586,317	1,427,252	1,538,544	15,035,296	...	
Interest, &c., on transferred properties	...	122,561	94,858	177,740	123,439	
Additions, New Works, etc.—						
Fleet Unit ... ..	...	(c) 585,342	753,537	568,204	377,682	
Other	53,321	1,148,276	1,047,890	952,480	1,529,698	
Miscellaneous	58,115	67,453	132,463	318,814	j	
Total Dept. of Defence	861,218	4,346,305	4,752,735	i 19,536,836	h 46,107,439	k 66,360,880
DEPT. OF TRADE & CUSTOMS—						
Customs and Excise, etc.	262,353	404,842	394,286	399,929	384,507	412,446
Quarantine ... ..	...	23,371	43,440	32,057	38,740	46,251
Fisheries ... ..	...	6,754	7,443	g 18,564	3,264	903
Lighthouses and Navigation	...	2,041	6,163	11,216	88,491	129,455
Analyst ... ..	...	2,523	3,439	3,442	3,576	4,440
Interstate Commission ... ..	...	...	10,322	13,192	10,231	10,096
Sugar Bounties ... ..	...	370,125	149,244	4	...	174
Iron Bonus ... ..	...	18,098	51,810	34,880	24,465	11,454
Shale Oil Bounties ... ..	...	3,759	329	...	...	...
Other Bounties ... ..	...	14,412	13,975	8,478	6,767	2,995
Interest on transferred properties	...	29,859	49,351	29,556	30,125	29,933
Additions, New Works, etc.—						
Customs	150	9,013	608	813		
Quarantine ... ..	...	28,093	34,241	28,306		
Lighthouses ... ..	...	7,462	9,183	28,353		
Construction of Vessels ... ..	...	6,704	11,982	8,866		
Total Dept. of Trade and Customs	262,503	927,056	785,816	617,656	717,543	849,566
POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S DEPT.—						
General Expenditure	2,346,666	4,496,616	4,941,537	5,003,634	5,124,091	5,071,396
Interest, &c., on transferred properties	...	285,099	217,730	217,640	217,626	217,602
Additions, New Works, etc....	37,149	1,088,022	1,123,727	831,828	642,063	590,770
Total Postmaster-General's Dept. ...	2,383,815	5,869,737	6,282,994	6,053,102	5,983,780	5,879,768
DEPT. OF HOME AFFAIRS—						
Administrative Staff	8,260	22,606	26,150	27,381	30,965	
Public Works Staff ... ..	...	26,054	11,129	f 9,093	f 6,268	
Lands and Surveys ... ..	...	13,699	19,861	20,981	17,643	
Bureau of Census and Statistics	...	14,260	15,702	15,936	15,819	
Census (Collection of, etc.) ... ..	...	15,625	6,004	1,426	1,715	
Meteorological Bureau ... ..	...	22,729	23,556	25,614	24,559	
Additions, New Works, etc. ... ..	...	a 186,345	a 266,124	a 217,784	a 170,231	
Railways ... ..	...	...	...	215,967	264,800	
Miscellaneous	17,748	16,902	47,643	124,535	214,191	
Total Dept. of Home Affairs... ..	26,008	318,221	416,169	658,717	746,291	(l)
DEPT. OF WORKS AND RAILWAYS (m) ...	...	...	...	...	...	m 1,770,600
Total Expenditure	3,733,218	15,405,522	16,878,328	31,751,488	58,913,440	78,357,706
Contribution to States	7,368,137	66,119,930	66,282,999	66,363,775	66,346,995	6,270,419
Total Disbursements	11,101,355	21,525,452	23,161,327	38,115,263	65,260,435	87,181,669
Per head of population—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Commonwealth Expenditure	19 6	3 5 1	3 9 3	6 8 6	11 18 11	16 11 11
Contribution to States	1 18 6	b 1 5 10	b 1 5 10	b 1 5 9	b 1 5 9	b 1 5 9
Total Disbursements	2 18 0	4 10 11	4 15 1	7 14 3	13 4 8	17 17 8

(a) Federal Capital and sundry departments. (b) Includes special payment to Tasmania.
(c) Including £475,342 expended from Trust Fund. (d) In addition, £856,974 was paid into Trust Fund.
(f) Further expenditure charged to Defence, Post Office and Trade and Customs. (g) Including cost of search for F.I.S. *Endeavour* and compensation. (h) Includes £37,632,492 War expenditure out of loans. (i) Includes £14,471,118 War expenditure from loans in aid of Revenue. (j) Included in Naval and Military Forces. (k) Including £53,114,237 Loan Funds. (l) See Departments of Home and Territories, and Works and Railways. (m) Formerly in Department of Home Affairs and Department of External Affairs. (n) Includes £2,553,544 Miscellaneous.

**COMMONWEALTH TRUST FUND INVESTMENTS,
31st December, 1917.**

AUSTRALIAN NOTES ACCOUNT.

Investment.	Amount.	Rate of Interest.	Date of Maturity.	Annual Amount of Interest.
	£	per cent.		£
Commonwealth Inscribed Stock	3,830,000	3½	{ 1.4.1962 to 1.4.1972 15.12.1925 }	134,050
„ „ (War Loan)	63,640	4½		2,864
„ Treasury Bills	6,829,163	4	†	273,167
State Government Securities—				
N.S.W. Funded Stock ..	800,000	3¾	10.8.1919	30,000
„ Treasury Bills ..	7,400,000	4½	*	305,250
Victorian Government Debentures (face value, £800,000)	784,000	3½	1.5.1921	28,000
Vict. Government Debentures	3,900,000	4½	*	160,875
South Aust. Treasury Bills ..	2,600,000	4½	*	107,250
Western Australian Stock ..	590,000	3¾	1.1.1926	22,125
W. Australian Treasury Bills	3,100,000	4½	*	127,875
Tasmanian Inscribed Stock	{ 160,000 300,000	{ 3¾ 3¾	{ 1.4.1921 1.10.1921	{ 17,250
„ Treasury Bills ..	1,000,000	4½	*	41,250
Fixed Deposits—				
Sundry Banks	3,638,000	4 to 4½	{ 10.3.1917 to 24.11.1917 }	156,705
Total	34,994,803	..	..	1,406,661

* Treasury Bills with currency of two years from date of loan instalments. † Not yet fixed.

OTHER FUNDS.

Investment.	Amount.	Rate of Interest.	Date of Maturity.	Annual Amount of Interest.
	£ s. d.	per cent.		£ s. d.
General Trust Funds—				
Commonwealth Inscribed Stock	609,070 0 0	3½	{ 1.4.1962 to 1.4.1972 }	21,317 9 0
Victorian Govt. Debentures— (Face value, £2900)	2,482 2 6	3	{ 1.7.1921 to 1.1.1932 }	87 0 0
Silver and Bronze Bullion	213,232 2 10	..	..	..
Advances to Banks ..	537,000 0 0	4½	*	24,165 0 0
Fidelity Guarantee Fund— Commonwealth Inscribed Stock ..	300 0 0	3½	{ 1.4.1962 to 1.4.1972 }	10 10 0

* Not yet fixed.

COMMONWEALTH TRUST FUND INVESTMENTS (Continued).
OTHER FUNDS.—continued.

Investment.	Amount.			Rate of Interest.	Date of Maturity.	Annual Amount of Interest.		
	£	s.	d.	per cent.		£	s.	d.
Sinking Funds—								
Northern Territory and Port Augusta Railway Loans—								
Commonwealth Inscribed Stock	98,560	0	0	4½ & 3½	1.4.1962 to 1.4.1972	3,64	12	0
Stock Redemption Fund—								
Commonwealth Inscribed Stock	642,070	0	0	4½ & 3½	1.4.1962 to 1.4.1972	28,257	9	0
Lands Acquisition Act ..	1,280	0	0	4½	..	57	12	0
C'wealth Treasury Bills	158,380	0	0					
Officers' Assurance—								
Commonwealth Inscribed Stock and Bonds ..	2,000	0	0	4½	15.12.1925	90	0	0
Fixed Deposits—								
Bank of New South Wales, Melbourne ..	700	0	0	4½	2.5.1920 to 27.6.1920	31	10	0
Savings Bank, Melbourne Deposit	21	18	7					
Norfolk Island Funds Investment—								
New South Wales Government Inscribed Stock ..	5,624	0	0	4, 3 & 3½	Various up to 10.5.1923	194	0	0
Total	2,270,720	3	11	..	..	84,211	2	5

STATEMENT OF LOAN APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURE.

	Loan Appropriation.	EXPENDITURE.			
		1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.	Balance available 30th June, 1917.
	£	£	£	£	£
Railways—					
Construction—Kalgoorlie to Port Augusta	5,900,000	1,670,459	1,546,734	..	640,934
Pine Creek	400,000	94,392	142,883	..	52,487
Redemption of Loans—Port Augusta Railway	320,581	15,077	923	..	..
Payment to South Australia on account construction of Port Augusta-Oodnadatta Railway	34,476	..	..	..	1
Northern Territory—					
Redemption of loans raised by S.A. ..	697,945	..	400,000	..	..
Papua—					
Railways and Wharves	60,000	13,042	12,832	..	33,444
Post and Telegraph—					
Purchase of land	290,000	84,500	92,586	..	70,190
Construction of conduits, etc.	875,000	178,142	271,239	..	167,239
Acquisition of land, Federal Territory ..	600,000	36,770	126,222	..	75,680
London offices, land and buildings	750,000	19,274	115,065	..	132,311
Acquisition of land, Perth, W.A.	153,000	..	..	..	795
Machinery, etc. Dockyards—Cockatoo Island	175,000	42,782	59,520	..	65,378
Total Works Expenditure	10,256,002	2,154,438	2,768,004	†	1,238,459
In aid of Revenue	7,000,000	371,118	..	Cr.371,118	7,000,000
Advances to States—					
Victoria	16,759,110	{	650,000	1,135,500	6,757,392
Queensland			1,200,000	1,783,654	
South Australia			250,000	1,929,059	
Western Australia			750,000	1,688,505	
Tasmania			100,000	515,000	
Total Advances to States	16,759,110	..	2,950,000	7,051,718	6,757,392
WAR EXPENDITURE.			†		
War Loan	123,262,141	†	37,423,568	53,099,841	32,738,732

† See notes (h) and (i), page 25.

‡ Expenditure for works previously paid from loans are paid from votes for New Works and Buildings for 1916-17.

LOANS BY THE COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT TO THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE SEVERAL STATES AT 31st DECEMBER, 1917.

—	Amount.	Rate of Interest.	Date of Maturity.	Annual Amount of Interest.
	£	£		£
New South Wales—				
Funded Stock	800,000	3½ per cent.	10.8.1919	30,000
Treasury Bills	7,400,000	4½ „	*	305,250
Govt. Inscribed Stock ..	5,624	3 to 4 „	Various	194
	8,205,624			335,444
Victoria—				
Govt. Debentures (face value, £800,000)	784,000	3½ per cent.	1.5.1921	28,000
do. (face value £2900) ..	2,482	3 „	1.7.21–1.1.32	87
do.	3,900,000	4½ „	*	160,875
Advance†	1,985,798	5½ „		104,254
	6,672,280			293,216
Queensland—				
Advance†	3,929,455	5½ per cent.		206,296
South Australia—				
Treasury Bills	2,600,000	4½ per cent.	*	107,250
Advance†	3,270,402	5½ „		171,696
	5,870,402			278,946
Western Australia—				
Government Stock	590,000	3½ per cent.	1.1.1926	22,125
Treasury Bills	3,100,000	4½ „	*	127,875
Advance†	2,898,187	5½ „		152,156
	6,588,187			302,156
Tasmania—				
Inscribed Stock	160,000	3½ per cent.	1.4.1921	6,000
Inscribed Stock	300,000	3½ „	1.10.1921	11,250
Treasury Bills	1,000,000	4½ „	*	41,250
Advance†	648,375	5½ „		34,040
	2,108,375			92,540
Total	33,374,323	..	..	1,508,598

* Treasury Bills with currency of two years from date of loan instalment.

† Amounts advanced from Loan raised for the States.

AUSTRALIAN NOTES ACCOUNT, 31st DECEMBER, 1917.

<i>Dr.</i>	<i>Cr.</i>
Gold in Treasury £17,628,270 10 0	Circulation .. £47,804,064 10 0
Investments .. 34,994,803 5 10	Accumulation of interest £3,758,283 14 8
Advances to Mints for purchase of gold bullion .. 206,000 0 0	Less expenses 351,624 9 9
	3,406,659 4 11
	Due to Sundry Banks 84,000 0 0
	Balance .. 1,534,350 0 11
£52,829,073 15 10	£52,829,073 15 10

COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC DEBT, 31st DECEMBER, 1917.

Commonwealth Inscribed Stock (3½%) ..	£4,580,000
Commonwealth Inscribed Stock and Bonds (4½% War Loan)	99,838,790
Commonwealth Inscribed Stock and Debentures (Loan raised for States), 5¼% and 5½% ..	12,000,000
Commonwealth Treasury Bills	6,987,543
Commonwealth War Saving Certificates ..	3,317,392
War Loan from British Government	49,082,059
South Australian Debt transferred—	
On account Northern Territory	2,772,516
„ Port Augusta-Oodnadatta Railway ..	1,759,003
Total	£180,337,303
Value of properties transferred from States ..	10,789,738
Deferred Military Pay	9,373,977
Total	£200,501,018

**STATEMENT SHEWING THE AVERAGE VALUE OF AUSTRALIAN NOTES
HELD BY THE BANKS AND THE PUBLIC SINCE AUGUST, 1914.**

Average during—				Held by Banks.	Held by Public.	Total Note Issue.
				£	£	£
1914	(August-December) ..			7,743,210	6,589,798	14,333,008
1915	..	..	..	22,420,558	9,416,292	31,836,850
1916	..	..	..	30,902,866	13,481,173	44,384,039
1917—						
January	..	..	..	30,799,186	15,502,066	46,301,252
February	..	..	..	31,071,414	15,341,208	46,412,622
March	..	..	..	31,059,015	16,087,189	47,146,204
April	..	..	..	30,433,665	16,809,717	47,243,382
May	..	..	..	31,131,743	15,978,318	47,110,061
June	..	..	..	31,132,094	15,996,121	47,128,215
July	..	..	..	30,974,352	15,991,302	46,965,654
August	..	..	..	30,266,127	16,375,273	46,641,400
September	..	..	..	29,916,221	16,675,753	46,591,974
October	..	..	..	29,790,847	16,755,174	46,546,021
November	..	..	..	29,462,030	16,853,168	46,315,198
December	..	..	..	28,958,602	18,615,696	47,574,298
1918—						
January	..	..	..	31,750,125	17,435,164	49,185,289
February	..	..	..	32,346,039	17,879,923	50,225,962
March	..	..	..	32,719,914	18,099,237	50,819,151

COMMONWEALTH NOTES ISSUED AS AT UNDERMENTIONED DATES.

Denomina- tion.	24th Dec., 1912.	27th Dec., 1913.	30th Dec., 1914.	29th Dec., 1915.	27th Dec., 1916.	26th Dec., 1917.	27th Mar., 1918.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
10/-	...	18,413	263,522	1,240,257	1,705,518	1,865,866	1,824,332
£1	3,191,100	3,144,170	6,634,085	9,997,406	11,842,524	12,922,303	12,538,963
£5	3,414,695	3,438,055	4,499,860	5,941,530	6,506,910	7,169,420	7,125,480
£10	1,771,300	1,657,970	1,871,120	2,256,470	2,632,130	2,970,960	3,119,830
£20	405,780	325,360	361,880	539,960	481,280	510,220	542,040
£50	819,400	916,000	1,166,450	1,143,000	1,185,800	1,194,900	1,336,650
£100	410,000	479,600	1,347,500	1,315,500	1,037,200	996,600	1,131,800
£1000	...	...	3,687,000	19,332,000	21,269,000	20,271,000	23,141,000
Total	10,012,275	9,979,568	19,831,417	41,766,123	46,660,462	47,901,269	50,760,095
Gold reserve	4,465,339	4,512,599	7,987,526	14,965,317	16,600,611	17,541,476	18,405,636
Percent. of reserve	44.60	45.22	40.27	35.86	35.58	36.62	36.26

OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS.

State.	Number of Pensioners as at 30/9/17.			Number per 10,000 of Population.*		Average Fort- nightly Pen- sion as at 30/6/17.		Aggregate Annual Rate of Payment (approximate).	
	Old-age.	Invalid.	Total Old-age and Invalid.	Old- age.	Inva- lid.	Old- age.	Inva- lid.	Amnt.	Per head of Pop.
New South Wales	34,109	11,138	45,247	183	60	s. d.	s. d.	£	s. d.
Victoria	29,219	8,286	37,505	208	59	24 3	24 8	1,432,445	15 4
Queensland	12,356	3,465	15,821	184	51	24 4	24 7	1,169,107	16 11
South Australia	9,438	1,863	11,301	216	42	24 3	24 6	499,883	14 8
Western Australia	4,358	1,212	5,570	141	39	23 11	24 4	352,376	16 6
Tasmania...	4,739	1,756	6,495	240	89	24 1	24 4	174,782	11 4
						23 8	24 4	201,351	20 7
Total	94,219	27,720	121,939	192	57	24 3	24 7	3,849,944	15 9

* Population taken as at 30th June, 1917.

WAR PENSIONS.—Particulars as at 30th June, 1916.

	NO. OF PENSIONERS				AVERAGE FORTNIGHTLY RATE OF PENSIONS.					
	Incapacitated Soldiers.	Dependants of Deceased Soldiers.	Dependants of Incapacitated Soldiers.	Total.	Incapacitated Soldiers.	Dependants of Deceased and Incapacitated Soldiers.	All Pensions.			
N.S. Wales ..	1,048	1,311	485	2,844	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£	s.	d.
Victoria ..	865	1,506	505	2,876	2 11 4	1 5 11	1 15 3	2	8	4
Queensland ..	491	284	169	944	2 11 6	1 5 3	1 18 11	1	5	2
S. Australia ..	268	320	206	794	1 18 3	0 18 6	1 5 2	1	7	2
W. Australia ..	192	329	..	521	1 14 2	1 7 2	1 9 9	1	0	7
Tasmania ..	75	216	44	335	1 18 0	1 0 7	1 4 6	1	2	0
London ..	73	318	3	394	1 6 9	1 2 0	1 2 11	3	0	0
S. Africa ..	1	2	1	4	3 0 0	1 17 10	2 3 5	2	10	9
New Zealand ..	12	28	2	42	2 10 9	1 7 3	1 14 0	1	4	6
	3,025	4,314	1,415	8,754	2 7 4	1 4 6	1 12 5			

COST OF WAR PENSIONS.

					Actual Expenditure 1915-16.	Annual Expenditure 1916-17.
					£	£
New South Wales .. .. .	..	..	..	..	39,449	359,349
Victoria .. .. .	..	..	..	..	54,221	449,451
Queensland .. .. .	..	..	..	..	12,802	108,314
South Australia .. .. .	..	..	..	..	9,586	114,810
Western Australia .. .. .	..	..	..	..	8,509	74,077
Tasmania .. .. .	..	..	..	..	4,706	43,422
London .. .. .	..	..	..	..	8,647	..
South Africa .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..
New Zealand .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	..
					137,920	1,149,423

COMMONWEALTH MATERNITY ALLOWANCES.

Number of Claims Passed for Payment.

The Maternity Allowance Act came into force on 10th October, 1912, and from that date until 30th September, 1917, the following Claims were passed for payment:—

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W.A.	Tasmania.	Commonwealth.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
10th Oct. to 31st Dec., 1912 ...	5,604	4,763	2,211	1,366	806	758	15,508
1st Jan. „ 30th June, 1913 ...	25,441	18,033	9,919	6,223	4,579	2,853	67,048
1st July „ 31st Dec., 1913 ...	26,123	18,603	9,790	6,261	4,726	3,116	68,619
1st Jan. „ 30th June, 1914 ...	25,116	17,457	9,920	6,505	4,464	2,917	66,379
1st July „ 31st Dec., 1914 ...	28,574	19,114	10,378	6,602	4,940	3,172	72,750
1st Jan. „ 30th June, 1915 ...	25,926	17,166	9,827	5,999	4,372	2,804	66,094
1st July „ 31st Dec., 1915 ...	26,102	17,541	9,974	5,641	4,463	2,957	66,678
1st Jan. „ 30th June, 1916 ...	25,439	16,927	9,780	6,117	4,289	2,713	65,265
1st July „ 31st Dec., 1916 ...	26,553	17,651	9,151	5,795	4,286	2,956	66,392
1st Jan. „ 30th June, 1917 ...	26,239	16,976	9,973	5,960	4,061	2,706	65,915
1st July „ 30th Sept, 1917 ...	14,031	8,603	5,049	2,885	2,068	1,446	34,082
Total ...	255,148	172,834	95,972	59,354	43,054	28,358	654,760

FEDERAL INCOME TAX.

INCOME PERIOD 1914-15.

STATE.	No. of Taxpayers	INCOME.		Tax Assessed.	Average per Taxpayer.
		Gross.	Net.		
	No.	£	£	£	£
Central* ..	8,426	53,246,461	15,985,000	1,393,878	165.4
New South Wales ..	88,415	92,835,357	25,248,403	1,197,762	13.5
Victoria ..	67,123	56,107,442	16,273,932	682,463	10.2
Queensland ..	29,800	43,405,222	10,234,480	507,366	17.0
South Australia ..	16,126	13,537,729	2,443,922	161,311	10.0
Western Australia ..	18,921	17,399,586	4, 49,879	190,712	10.0
Tasmania ..	6,300	6,043,722	1,697,794	63,632	10.1
Commonwealth ..	235,111	282,575,519	76,033,410	4,197,124	17.9

* Central Office returns are those of persons deriving income from more than one State.

COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX.**SALES AND PURCHASES OF LAND BY PERSONS WHO HAVE LODGED RETURNS.****SALES.**

STATE.	TOWN LAND.		COUNTRY LAND.			TOTAL.	
	No. of Sales.	Un-improved Value.	No. of Sales.	Un-improved Value.	Area.	No. of Sales.	Un-improved Value.
		£		£	acres.		£
Central* ..	1,794	562,567	634	1,482,579	1,865,013	2,428	2,045,146
New South Wales ..	4,114	1,442,358	798	2,447,559	1,426,313	4,912	3,889,917
Victoria ..	1,601	875,510	943	2,343,550	613,863	2,544	3,219,060
Queensland ..	726	349,275	535	496,721	392,877	1,261	845,996
South Australia ..	645	217,682	219	534,758	305,041	864	752,440
Western Australia ..	1,080	313,206	122	74,794	86,292	1,202	388,000
Tasmania ..	162	82,596	322	250,711	163,453	484	333,307
TOTAL, 1914-15 ..	10,122	3,843,194	3,573	7,630,672	4,852,852	13,695	11,473,866
1913-14 ..	20,416	5,834,316	4,264	7,510,844	3,942,075	24,680	13,345,160
1912-13 ..	19,710	5,467,977	5,413	10,461,131	5,275,993	25,123	15,929,108
1911-12 ..	22,915	7,451,532	6,392	14,608,001	8,208,656	29,307	22,059,533
1910-11 ..	15,027	5,066,228	6,254	14,579,592	7,021,265	21,281	19,645,820

PURCHASES.

STATE.	TOWN LAND.		COUNTRY LAND.			TOTAL.	
	No of Purchases.	Un-improved Value.	No. of Purchases.	Un-improved Value.	Area.	No. of Purchases.	Un-improved Value.
		£		£	acres.		£
Central* ..	314	379,801	201	638,016	500,454	515	1,017,817
New South Wales ..	516	782,958	365	1,751,836	1,251,970	881	2,534,794
Victoria ..	412	618,153	384	1,240,720	387,527	796	1,858,873
Queensland ..	222	325,797	248	586,370	460,308	470	912,167
South Australia ..	202	108,789	159	405,435	244,004	361	514,224
Western Australia ..	170	228,412	199	37,009	54,391	369	265,421
Tasmania ..	57	28,810	41	47,382	27,771	98	76,192
TOTAL, 1914-15 ..	1,893	2,472,720	1,597	4,706,768	2,926,425	3,490	7,179,488
1913-14 ..	2,208	3,244,001	1,528	4,783,645	2,501,656	3,736	8,027,646
1912-13 ..	2,567	3,662,246	2,158	6,845,591	4,000,272	4,725	10,507,837
1911-12 ..	3,551	4,756,678	2,842	9,133,771	5,706,791	6,393	13,890,449
1910-11 ..	2,340	3,367,427	2,520	9,316,086	4,975,456	4,860	12,683,513

* Central Office returns are those of persons owning land in more than one State.

COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX ASSESSMENTS, 1911-1915.

	1911-12.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.
NUMBER OF TAXPAYERS—	No.	No.	No.	No.
Resident Owners	12,827	13,154	13,273	14,082
Absentee Owners	3,802	3,585	3,460	3,431
TOTAL	16,629	16,739	16,733	17,513
UNIMPROVED VALUE OF LAND AS RETURNED BY OWNERS—	£	£	£	£
Resident	179,615,366	177,922,403	179,485,826	185,456,174
Absentee	6,543,523	4,941,308	4,443,302	4,196,606
TOTAL	186,158,889	182,863,711	183,929,128	189,652,780
UNIMPROVED VALUE AS ASCERTAINED BY DEPARTMENT—				
Resident	183,884,035	189,822,942	190,886,769	196,947,899
Absentee	6,707,890	5,273,243	4,580,248	4,415,946
TOTAL	190,591,925	195,096,185	195,467,017	201,363,845
TAX ASSESSED ON—				
Urban Land—Resident Owners	474,291	536,055	544,182	825,339
Absentee Owners	51,164	39,817	39,347	37,807
TOTAL ..	525,455	575,872	583,529	863,146
Rural Land—Resident Owners	886,953	860,081	851,805	1,163,284
Absentee Owners	32,852	24,010	16,439	16,221
TOTAL ..	919,805	884,091	868,244	1,179,505
All Land—Resident Owners ..	1,361,244	1,396,136	1,395,985	1,988,624
Absentee Owners ..	84,016	63,827	55,788	54,027
TOTAL ..	1,445,260	1,459,963	1,451,773	2,042,651
AREA OF RURAL LAND ASSESSED acs	63,648,925	64,027,662	63,780,759	149,271,228*
ASSESSED TAX ON RURAL LAND per ac.	3.468d.	3.314d.	3.267d.	1.896d.

* The increased area is due to the extension of the tax to Crown leases.

LAND TAX ASSESSMENTS, 1914-15.

MISCELLANEOUS PARTICULARS RELATING TO EACH STATE.

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Area of State	1,000 ac.	1,000 ac.	1,000 ac.	1,000 ac.	1,000 ac.	1,000 ac.	1,000 ac.
Tax Assessed on State	198,638*	56,246	429,120	243,245	624,589	16,777	1,903,732†
Per cent. to Total	10.4	3.1	22.6	12.7	32.8	0.8	100
Land Alienated, in Process of Alienation or held under Lease or Licence	1,000 ac.	1,000 ac.	1,000 ac.	1,000 ac.	1,000 ac.	1,000 ac.	1,000 ac.
Per cent. to Total	187,352*	44,827	358,331	128,903	205,927	8,162	1,038,436†
Per cent. to Total	18.0	4.3	34.5	12.4	19.8	0.8	100
Area of Rural Land included in Taxable Returns	49,734	9,159	42,459	36,287	8,747	2,885	149,271
Per cent. to Total	33.3	6.1	28.5	24.3	5.9	1.9	100
Aver. Tax per acre on Rural Lands	3.019d.	6.950d.	.737d.	.626d.	.885d.	2.595d.	1.896d.
Tax Assessed on Urban Lands	460,124	213,780	64,370	66,640	45,758	12,474	863,146
Tax Assessed on Rural Lands	625,663	265,263	130,428	94,683	32,271	31,197	1,179,505
Total Tax Assessed ..	1,085,787	479,043	194,798	161,323	78,029	43,671	2,042,651
Tax Assessed in each State per cent. to Total—							
Urban Lands	53.3	24.8	7.5	7.7	5.3	1.4	100
Rural Lands	53.1	22.5	11.1	8.0	2.7	2.6	100
Total	53.2	23.5	9.5	7.9	3.8	2.1	100
No. of Taxable Returns||							
Resident	4,553	4,372	1,127	1,544	494	536	14,082||
Absentee	578	721	245	315	1,073	285	3,431||
Total	5,131	5,093	1,372	1,859	1,567	821	17,513||

* Including Federal Capital Territory. † Includes Northern Territory, 335,117,000 acres, or 17.6 % of the total area. ‡ Includes Northern Territory, 104,934,000 acres, or 10.2% of the total land alienated, etc. || Including returns embracing properties in more than one State: Resident 1456, Absentee, 214; Total, 1670.

State Finance.

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS OF STATES.

REVENUE, 1914-15.

Sources of Revenue.	New Sth. Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Aust.	Western Aust.	Tas- mania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Taxation	2,955,670	1,762,041	954,457	588,690	371,960	367,577	7,000,395
Railways and Tramways ...	9,660,822	5,170,020	63,792,070	1,778,074	2,163,790	320,035	22,884,811
Land—Sales	913,162	133,808	300,674	83,237	252,253	57,801	1,740,935
Rentals	784,919	149,780	686,086	92,490	144,291	31,408	1,888,974
Commonwealth Subsidy ...	2,287,295	1,757,894	827,841	542,715	606,899	(a)337,485	6,360,129
All other Sources	2,326,683	1,555,474	641,530	888,104	1,601,532	129,789	7,143,112
Total Revenue	18,923,551	10,529,017	7,202,658	3,973,310	5,140,725	1,244,095	47,018,356
.. .. per head ...	£ s. d. 10 3 1	£ s. d. 7 7 2	£ s. d. 10 12 10	£ s. d. 8 19 11	£ s. d. 15 18 3	£ s. d. 6 3 6	£ s. d. 9 10 3

(a) Includes special grant. (b) Railways only.

1915-16.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Taxation	3,117,221	2,077,280	1,455,258	701,511	407,997	384,820	8,144,187
Railways and Tramways ...	9,990,502	5,727,275	3,756,901	1,997,984	2,217,250	346,364	24,036,276
Land—Sales	1,064,246	157,917	283,443	93,908	322,671	64,254	1,986,439
Rentals	801,067	133,512	689,581	175,047	58,774	32,839	1,890,821
Commonwealth Subsidy ...	2,297,872	1,743,467	833,324	540,649	581,619	a337,200	6,334,131
All other Sources	2,358,534	1,330,448	687,758	847,868	1,768,667	211,016	7,204,291
Total Revenue	19,629,442	11,169,900	7,706,365	4,356,967	5,356,978	1,376,493	49,596,145
.. .. per head ...	£ s. d. 10 10 1	£ s. d. 7 17 7	£ s. d. 11 6 6	£ s. d. 9 18 5	£ s. d. 16 16 11	£ s. d. 6 16 11	£ s. d. 10 1 5

(a) Includes special grant.

1916-17.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Taxation	3,629,404	2,223,407	1,564,044	726,645	402,336	438,632	8,984,468
Railways and Tramways ...	10,390,602	5,882,968	3,834,436	2,294,368	2,004,148	340,173	24,746,695
Land—Sales	921,838	a	262,450	109,605	282,223	60,399	a
Rentals	755,798	a	700,503	155,172	47,925	31,344	a
Commonwealth Subsidy ...	2,286,913	1,722,409	820,604	531,340	559,982	(b)336,004	6,267,252
All other Sources	2,511,441	1,632,246	698,856	1,057,473	1,270,393	162,816	10,660,482
Total Revenue	20,495,996	11,461,030	7,880,893	4,874,603	4,577,007	1,369,368	50,658,897
.. .. per head ...	£ s. d. 11 0 7	£ s. d. 8 3 9	£ s. d. 11 15 4	£ s. d. 11 5 9	£ s. d. 14 16 5	£ s. d. 6 17 0	£ s. d. 10 7 10

(a) Included in "all other sources." (b) Includes special grant.

EXPENDITURE, 1914-15.

Heads of Expenditure.	New Sth. Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Aust.	Western Aust.	Tas- mania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Interest and Charges on Pub- lic Debt	4,154,174	2,650,297	1,975,581	1,308,319	1,550,262	522,693	12,161,326
Railways and Tramways (ex- clusive of construction) ...	6,923,379	4,144,959	*2,410,465	1,439,810	1,585,554	225,945	16,735,112
All other Expenditure	6,853,195	4,911,712	2,813,353	1,914,266	2,570,726	635,512	19,698,764
Total Expenditure	17,935,748	11,706,968	7,199,399	4,662,395	5,706,542	1,384,150	48,595,202
.. .. per head ...	£ s. d. 9 12 8	£ s. d. 8 3 8	£ s. d. 10 12 7	£ s. d. 10 11 1	£ s. d. 17 13 4	£ s. d. 6 17 5	£ s. d. 9 16 8

* Railways only.

EXPENDITURE, 1915-16.

Heads of Expenditure.	New Sth. Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Aust.	Western Aust.	Tas- mania.	Total.
Interest and Charges on Pub- lic Debt	£ 4,561,386	£ 2,706,313	£ 2,286,258	£ 1,341,090	£ 1,644,137	£ 501,791	£ 13,040,976
Railways and Tramways (ex- clusive of construction) ...	7,233,151	4,144,009	2,752,470	1,558,740	1,596,857	253,988	17,539,215
All other Expenditure ...	7,137,278	4,552,393	2,632,845	1,841,547	2,464,207	584,932	19,213,202
Total Expenditure ...	18,931,815	11,402,715	7,671,573	4,741,377	5,705,201	1,340,711	49,793,392
“ “ per head ...	£ s. d. 10 2 7	£ s. d. 8 0 11	£ s. d. 11 5 6	£ s. d. 10 15 11	£ s. d. 17 18 10	£ s. d. 6 13 4	£ s. d. 10 2 3

1916-17.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Interest and Charges on Public Debt	5,119,211	3,063,998	2,278,832	1,474,275	1,765,839	608,779	14,310,934
Railways and Tramways (ex- clusive of Construction) ...	7,605,046	4,308,990	3,003,743	1,736,423	1,554,704	293,018	18,501,524
All other Expenditure ...	8,017,369	4,127,357	2,851,812	1,979,755	1,955,221	511,096	19,443,610
Total Expenditure ...	20,741,626	11,500,345	8,134,387	5,190,453	5,276,764	1,412,893	52,256,468
“ “ per head ...	£ s. d. 11 3 2	£ s. d. 8 4 4	£ s. d. 12 3 0	£ s. d. 12 0 5	£ s. d. 17 1 9	£ s. d. 7 1 4	£ s. d. 10 14 6

LOANS EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR 1916-17.

Heads of Expenditure.	New Sth. Wales.	Victoria.	Queens- land.	South Aust.	Western Aust.	Tas- mania.	Total.
Railways and Tramways ...	£ 3,842,809	£ 1,266,352	£ 1,342,249	£ 413,095	£ 337,472	£ 133,056	£ 7,335,033
Water Supply, Water Conser- vation, and Sewerage ...	1,435,549	287,561	3,504	546,491	76,486	...	2,349,591
Harbours, Rivers, & Lights ...	1,037,199	71,560	...	473,177	121,859	148,698	2,171,574
Roads and Bridges ...	5,428	252,836	...	54,939	5,878	...	226,488
Land Purchased for Settlemt. Public Buildings, including State Schools	296,351	63,490	135,764	77,131	23,350	41,361	637,447
All other purposes	244,843	272,127	786,445	128,713	290,139	137,555	1,859,822
Total	6,862,179	2,306,627	2,267,962	1,811,531	855,184	476,472	14,579,955
Loans Expenditure per head	£ s. d. 3 13 10	£ s. d. 1 12 11	£ s. d. 3 7 9	£ s. d. 4 3 11	£ s. d. 2 15 4	£ s. d. 2 7 8	£ s. d. 2 19 10

AGGREGATE LOANS EXPENDITURE TO 30TH JUNE, 1917.

	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000
Railways and Tramways ...	85,988	53,859	38,358	20,146	17,972	5,411	221,734
Telegraphs and Telephones...	1,762	...	997	992	...	142	3,893
Water Supply, Water Conser- vation, and Sewerage ...	23,776	12,073	368	8,981	4,817	...	...
Harbours, Rivers, & Lights ...	14,724	890	2,422	3,427	3,556	4,737	85,788
Roads and Bridges	1,821	1,217	932	1,678	369	...	...
Public Buildings, including State Schools	7,907	2,396	1,946	1,470	780	1,202	15,701
Land Purchased for Settlemt. Defence	489	5,048	...	2,190	325	259	8,311
All other purposes	1,457	150	363	291	...	128	2,389
	1,451	6,641	10,175	4,779	7,842	2,453	33,341
Total	139,375	82,274	55,561	43,954	35,661	14,332	371,157

LOANS RAISED IN LONDON BY THE SEVERAL STATES DURING THE FIVE YEARS ENDED 30th JUNE, 1917.

Date of Flotation.	Face Value of Loan.	Rate of Interest Payable	Fixed Price Per Cent.	Flotation Expenses.		Accrued Interest.		Net Proceeds (excluding Accrued Interest.)		When Redeemable.
				Amount.	% on Face Value.	Amount.	% on Face Value.	Amount.	% on Face Value.	

NEW SOUTH WALES.

Between	£	%	%	£	%	£	%	£	%	
October, 1912	3,000,000	4	98	58,800	1.960	4,093	1.364	2,877,107	95.903	1st October, 1922
and May, 1913	3,000,000	4	99½	77,016	2.567	4,789	1.596	2,903,195	96.775	1/7/1962, option after 1/7/1942
30/5/1913	750,000	4	Par	1,312	.175	...	...	748,688	99.825	30/5/14
8/8/1913	1,500,000	4	97½	36,528	2.433	11,887	.792	1,414,085	94.272	1/7/1962, option after 1/7/1942
5/1/1914	3,000,000	4	96	72,232	2.408	15,854	.528	2,791,914	93.064	" " "
27/11/1913	2,000,000	4 dis.	99¼	3,490	.175	...	...	1,996,510	99.825	27/11/1914
15/1/1914	500,000	4	100	873	.175	...	...	499,127	99.825	" " "
30/5/1914	750,000	3/13/9 dis.	100	1,309	.175	...	...	748,691	99.825	30/5/1915
22/5/1914	3,000,000	4	99	72,135	2.404	27,733	.924	2,870,132	95.671	1/7/1962, option after 1/7/1942
6/2/1915	2,000,000	4½	99½	38,066	1.903	...	...	1,951,934	97.596	1/3/1920
15/10/1914	1,000,000	4 dis.	98¾	1,750	.1750	...	...	985,749	98.575	15/10/1915
25/11/1914	1,750,000	4¾ dis.	100	3,063	.1750	...	...	1,746,937	99.823	25/5/1915
14/6/1915	5,000,000	4½	99½	†	†	†	†	†	†	1/7/1927, option after 1/7/1922
7/1/1916	2,000,000	5	99	58,000	2.900	5,962	.298	1,922,000	96.100	1/7/1923 " " 1/7/1921
15/8/1916	2,500,000	5¼	Par	65,624	2.625	9,098	.364	2,420,090	96.800	15/8/1922 " " 15/8/1920
14/5/1917	3,000,000	5½	98	67,977	2.266	...	...	2,864,784	95.493	1/6/1927 " " 1/6/1922

VICTORIA.

9/6/1913	3,000,000	4	98	53,107	1.770	1,666	.055	2,885,227	96.175	1/10/1922, option after 1/10/1918
16/9/1913	1,000,000	4	98	48,890	2.445	15,947	.797	1,885,163	94.258	1/4/1960, option after 1/4/1940
21/1/1914	1,000,000	4	97	23,786	2.379	1,584	.158	954,630	95.463	£82,200, 1919; £700, 1923; £14,750, 1924; £5300, 1949
16/9/1913	1,000,000	4	98	23,786	2.379	1,584	.158	954,630	95.463	
1/4/1915	2,068,760	4½	Par	†	†	†	†	†	†	1/4/1925, option after 1/4/1920
1/10/1915	100,000	†	Par	†	†	†	†	†	†	Various
26/4/1915	2,250,000	4½	Par	41,376	1.839	8,098	.360	2,209,223	98.170	1/4/1925, option after 1/4/1920
Various	550,000	†	Par	†	†	†	†	†	†	Various

QUEENSLAND.

July, 1912 ...	2,000,000	3	96	48,789	2.440	14,947	.747	1,856,264	92.813	1/10/1960, option after 1/10/1940
November, 1912	2,000,000	4	99	48,623	2.431	22,699	1.135	1,908,678	95.433	1/10/1950 " " "
January, 1913 ...	2,000,000	4	99	48,760	2.438	18,655	.933	1,912,585	95.638	" " " "
April, 1914 ...	2,000,000	4	99	48,605	2.430	13,500	.675	1,917,895	95.895	1/10/1950 " " "
February, 1915*	11,728,800	4½	99	103,324	0.881	...	...	11,508,237	98.126	1/4/1925 " " 1/4/1920

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

25/7/1913 ...	1,000,000	} 4 {	97	24,653	2.466	6,750	.675	938,597	93.859	} 1/7/1960, option after 1/7/1940 1/4/1923, option after 1/4/1921 1/4/1927, option after 1/4/1922
3/2/1914 ...	2,000,000		par.	48,438	2.422	15,416	.771	1,936,146	96.807	
29/10/1915 ...	2,000,000		99	†	†	†	†	†	†	
21/3/1917*	1,400,000		97	28,139	2.010	3,392	.242	1,326,469	94.748	

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

12/12/1912 ...	1,000,000	4	99	24,998	2.500	381	.038	964,621	96.462	†
19/4/1913 ...	2,000,000	4	98½	50,396	2.520	11,140	.557	1,908,464	95.423	†
19/11/1913 ...	1,000,000	4	97	26,894	2.689	18,488	1.849	924,618	92.462	1/1/1962, option after 1/1/1942
5/2/1914 ...	2,000,000	4	98½	50,227	2.511	15,229	.762	1,904,544	95.227	" " "
1914/5 various...	154,000	4½	par	...	...	...	...	154,000	100.000	1/1/1924 to 1/1/1934

TASMANIA.

January, 1913 ...	1,300,000	4	99	34,943	2.687	4,587	.352	1,247,470	95.958	1/7/1950, option after 1/1/1920
March, 1914 ...	1,500,000	4	99	36,653	2.444	19,295	1.286	1,429,052	95.270	" " " "
January, 1915 ...	137,750	4½	par	†	†	†	†	†	†	1/1/1935

* Redemption loan.

† Not available.

**TOTAL PUBLIC DEBTS OF THE SEVERAL STATES on 30th JUNE,
1901 to 1917.**

Year ended June 30.	N. S. W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1901 ...	67,361,246	50,071,275	38,416,514	26,448,805	12,709,430	8,511,005	203,518,275
1905 ...	82,321,998	51,763,767	41,764,467	28,773,695	16,642,773	9,471,971	230,738,671
1910 ...	92,525,095	55,576,725	44,276,067	31,387,870	23,287,453	10,570,453	257,623,663
1911 ...	95,523,926	57,983,764	44,613,197	34,224,653*	23,703,953	11,077,790	267,127,283
1912 ...	100,052,635	60,737,216	47,068,186	29,440,113	26,283,523	11,302,411	274,884,084
1913 ...	106,170,747	62,776,724	53,604,733	30,147,883	30,276,436	11,495,963	294,472,486
1914 ...	116,695,031	66,130,726	54,523,506	33,564,352	34,420,181	12,265,012	317,598,788
1915 ...	127,735,405	73,083,927	56,869,046	35,081,623	37,022,622	13,133,046	342,925,669
1916 ...	130,514,018	76,775,032	58,732,843	37,993,289	39,889,676	13,908,913	357,813,771
1917 ...	138,138,346	78,125,395	61,303,136	39,364,280	40,914,826	14,671,640	372,517,623
Increase since 1901	70,777,100	28,054,120	22,886,622	12,915,475	28,205,396	6,160,635	168,999,348

* Includes Northern Territory Debt, £3,657,385, and Port Augusta to Oodnadatta Railway Debt, £2,240,011, taken over by the Commonwealth from 1st January, 1911.

PUBLIC DEBT AS ON 30TH JUNE, 1917.

Particulars.	New Sth. Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Floated in London ...	92,647,202	42,907,086	49,412,147	21,313,428	27,979,058	9,476,250	243,735,171
Floated in Australia ...	45,491,144	35,218,309	11,890,989	18,050,852	12,935,768	5,195,390	128,782,452
Total Gross Debt Sinking Funds ...	138,138,346 463,629	78,125,395 1,981,903	61,303,136 354,284	39,364,280 1,545,213	40,914,826 5,035,963	14,671,640 765,489	372,517,623 10,146,481
Total Net Debt ...	137,674,717	76,143,492	60,948,852	37,819,067	35,878,863	13,906,151	362,371,142
Total Net Debt per head	£ s. d. 73 13 9	£ s. d. 54 4 4	£ s. d. 89 9 2	£ s. d. 88 6 7	£ s. d. 116 5 9	£ s. d. 70 8 9	£ s. d. 74 0 3

**RATES OF INTEREST PAYABLE ON THE AGGREGATE PUBLIC DEBTS
OF THE STATES OF THE COMMONWEALTH at 30th JUNE, 1901 to 1917.**

30th June	Amount of Debt bearing interest at—													Am'nt not bear- ing In- terest.	Total Public Debt all States.
	6%	5½%	5¼%	5%†	4½%	4¾%	4¼%	4½%	4%	3¾%	3½%	3¼%	3%		
	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000
1901	804	..	1,224	..	5,079	..	..	..	93,670	..	65,727	275	36,733	6	203,518
1905	384	..	243	..	67	..	..	..	103,945	1,825	74,795	289	49,181	10	230,739
1910	209	..	243	..	53	..	..	..	76,983	10,897	121,988	75	47,162	14	257,624
1911	191	..	193	..	49	..	..	..	71,433	21,588	126,678	75	46,910	10	267,127
1912	156	..	143	..	46	..	..	..	67,990	26,251	133,614	50	46,629	5	274,884
1913	110	..	143	..	43	..	100	..	87,511	27,855	132,109	25	46,560	16	294,472
1914	75	..	143	..	39	..	..	..	111,772	*27,680	131,292	25	46,568	5	317,599
1915	50	..	2,147	..	25,280	300	291	10,625	100,551	26,372	130,393	25	46,543	349	342,926
1916	40	..	2,950	..	28,295	600	771	18,000	97,966	25,984	129,733	25	46,377	197	357,809
1917	20	5,590	6,695	14,754	32,245	600	900	18,000	95,382	24,716	127,147	25	46,425	18	372,517
In- crease since 1901	—784	5,590	5,471	14,754	27,166	600	900	18,000	1,712	24,716	61,420	—250	9,692	12	168,999

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes decrease. * Includes £750,000 discounted at £3 13s. 9d. %.
† Includes £20,000 at 4½%, and £105,000 at 4¼%.

**PUBLIC DEBT PER HEAD OF POPULATION OF THE SEVERAL
STATES on 30th JUNE, 1901 to 1917.**

30th June,	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	All States.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1901 ..	49.467	41.622	76.484	73.298	67.400	49.568	53.726
1905 ..	55.290	42.966	78.882	79.147	67.197	51.660	57.698
1910 ..	56.619	43.464	74.365	78.697	85.878	55.691	58.988
1911 ..	57.780	43.693	72.282	82.735	82.355	58.693	59.524
1912 ..	57.589	44.850	74.240	69.924	86.920	59.480	59.250
1913 ..	58.742	45.150	81.680	69.520	96.420	59,100	61.325
1914 ..	62.889	46.506	80.320	76.595	106.251	62.340	64.520
1915 ..	68.320	51.250	82.440	80.080	114.800	66.190	69.260
1916 ..	70.295	54.605	85.420	87.620	126.750	70.405	72.975
1917 ..	73.934	55.630	89.979	91.938	132.612	74.348	76.086
Increase since 1901	24.467	14.008	13.495	18.640	65.212	24.780	22.360

**ACCRUED PUBLIC DEBT SINKING FUNDS OF THE SEVERAL STATES
on 30th JUNE, 1901 to 1917.**

30th June,	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1901 ..	386,383	208,284	..	32,879	429,227	169,546	1,226,319
1905 ..	439,034	315,554	..	133,149	1,073,844	214,171	2,175,752
1910 ..	331,308	851,085	..	650,100	2,569,707	374,806	4,777,006
1911 ..	504,921	1,017,866	..	616,956	2,888,035	414,601	5,442,379
1912 ..	653,981	1,131,531	15,000	561,550	2,918,733	420,972	5,701,767
1913 ..	381,893	1,226,667	51,347	299,567	3,309,345	496,031	5,764,850
1914 ..	391,349	1,439,511	100,056	1,608,265	3,692,103	553,676	7,784,960
1915 ..	414,264	1,443,534	170,246	1,546,731	4,068,888	706,265	8,349,928
1916* ..	474,178	1,757,791	258,896	1,318,500	4,528,432	838,372	9,176,169
1917 ..	463,629	1,981,903	354,284	1,545,213	5,035,963	765,489	10,146,481
Increase since 1901	77,246	1,773,619	354,284	1,512,334	4,606,736	595,943	8,920,162

**ANNUAL AMOUNT OF INTEREST PAYABLE ON THE PUBLIC DEBTS OF THE
SEVERAL STATES AS EXISTING ON THE 30th JUNE, 1901 to 1917.**

30th June.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	All States.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1901 ..	2,429,983	1,894,503	1,378,243	997,070	437,874	317,359	7,455,032
1905 ..	2,937,150	1,883,500	1,529,382	1,081,025	570,241	348,258	8,349,556
1910 ..	3,250,129	1,980,100	1,634,786	1,147,359	803,301	386,234	9,201,909
1911 ..	3,363,584	2,054,363	1,646,586	1,251,744	810,101	407,311	9,533,689
1912 ..	3,531,528	2,151,559	1,731,141	1,064,663	910,110	412,536	9,801,537
1913 ..	3,786,842	2,223,928	1,985,113	1,095,399	1,069,310	425,796	10,586,388
1914 ..	4,205,771	2,354,744	2,026,805	1,234,482	1,235,539	457,504	11,514,845
1915 ..	4,728,886	2,646,901	2,166,678	1,296,986	1,343,605	493,861	12,676,917
1916 ..	4,848,967	2,828,001	2,267,947	1,489,103	1,478,301	528,969	13,441,288
1917 ..	4,916,203	2,878,465	2,278,832	1,484,275	1,765,839	611,300	13,934,914
Increase since 1901	2,486,220	983,962	900,589	487,205	1,327,965	293,941	6,479,882

**AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST PAYABLE ON THE PUBLIC DEBTS
OF THE SEVERAL STATES on 30th JUNE, 1901 to 1917.**

30th June.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	All States.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1901 ...	3.608	3.749	3.735	3.770	3.445	3.729	3.682
1905 ...	3.568	3.639	3.706	3.757	3.426	3.677	3.627
1910 ...	3.513	3.563	3.692	3.655	3.450	3.654	3.572
1911 ...	3.522	3.543	3.691	3.657	3.418	3.677	3.569
1912 ...	3.529	3.543	3.675	3.616	3.463	3.650	3.567
1913 ...	3.567	3.542	3.703	3.633	3.532	3.704	3.595
1914 ...	3.604	3.561	3.716	3.677	3.590	3.730	3.626
1915 ...	3.702	3.621	3.810	3.700	3.628	3.760	3.697
1916 ...	3.715	3.683	3.861	3.919	3.706	3.804	3.756
1917 ...	3.806	3.752	3.909	3.928	3.788	3.919	3.829
Increase since 1901	0.198	0.003	0.174	0.158	0.343	0.190	0.147

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS (Formerly Banks of Issue).

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £34,429,150; RESERVED PROFITS, £19,817,714.

LIABILITIES IN THE COMMONWEALTH, 1901-1917.

Quarter ended 30th June.	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Balances due to Other Banks.	Deposits.			Total Liabilities.
				Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1901 ...	3,399,462	525,958	376,972	37,457,960	54,029,188	91,487,148	95,789,540
1908 ...	3,536,227	707,903	796,447	46,015,448	67,678,940	113,694,388	118,734,965
1909 ...	3,510,629	720,853	555,806	46,812,632	70,945,623	117,758,255	122,545,543
1910 ...	3,748,482	821,758	570,115	55,233,862	74,657,274	129,891,136	135,031,491
1911 ...	3,718,458	928,663	741,188	62,226,897	81,220,013	143,446,910	148,835,219
1912 ...	536,984	1,002,062	872,946	65,408,841	84,397,756	149,806,597	152,218,589
1913 (h) ...	368,975	894,095	2,492,229	62,012,773	87,814,705	149,827,568	153,582,867
1914 (h) ...	306,809	1,089,548	2,750,788	70,195,462	93,659,093	163,854,555	168,001,700
1915 (h) ...	275,589	1,140,592	3,347,646	75,380,916	99,598,420	174,979,336	179,743,163
1916 (h) ...	257,621	1,263,622	4,389,228	92,821,872	100,118,758	192,940,630	198,851,101
1917 (h) ...	244,940	1,439,106	3,660,970	105,465,711	103,826,948	209,292,659	214,637,575
30/9/17 (h) ...	240,852	1,369,556	3,749,496	100,952,663	107,597,013	208,549,676	213,909,580
31/12/17 (h) ...	238,350	1,688,062	4,121,182	95,844,292	108,750,283	204,594,575	210,642,169

ASSETS IN THE COMMONWEALTH, 1901-1917.

Quarter ended 30th June.	Coin. (a)	Bullion.	Australian Notes.	Land and Other Property.	Notes and Bills of Other Banks.	Balances due from Other Banks.	All Other Debts due to the Banks.	Total Assets.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1901 ...	18,581,224	1,199,304		6,145,742	695,676	1,215,701	93,710,166	121,547,813
1906 ...	23,578,293	1,353,267		4,938,212	889,377	1,131,612	101,647,044 <i>b</i>	133,537,805
1909 ...	24,943,910	1,353,933		4,852,471	932,354	1,153,611	98,481,421 <i>c</i>	131,717,700
1910 ...	28,826,729	1,322,899		4,919,991	973,161	1,343,669	101,371,817 <i>d</i>	138,758,266
1911 ...	32,330,705	1,140,065	5,137,478	4,937,437	1,279,714	1,696,097	113,041,947 <i>e</i>	159,555,443
1912 ...	27,581,368	1,104,644	5,434,819	4,956,593	1,168,958	1,761,701	123,763,173 <i>f</i>	165,771,256
1913 (h)	30,133,187	1,118,879	4,853,709	4,933,882	1,333,760	3,211,812	118,919,665 <i>g</i>	164,554,914
1914 (h)	35,385,924	1,024,100	5,036,516	4,592,951	1,785,498	4,737,862	122,886,455 <i>h</i>	175,449,306
1915 (h)	33,850,144	1,052,979	20,473,229	5,064,575	1,671,105	4,070,229	128,129,785 <i>i</i>	194,312,046
1916 (h)	26,937,576	843,214	30,511,219	5,237,167	1,756,796	5,526,231	148,721,356 <i>k</i>	219,553,559
1917 (h)	21,696,820	1,158,007	30,946,645	5,288,199	2,035,308	5,429,884	145,948,778 <i>l</i>	212,503,641
30/9/17 (h)	21,829,467	1,206,789	30,451,380	5,287,949	2,004,442	5,775,881	147,788,105 <i>m</i>	214,344,013
31/12/17	21,784,323	1,082,576	29,438,456	5,340,983	2,013,235	5,994,766	147,954,641 <i>n</i>	213,608,980

a Including gold and silver bullion in Tasmanian banks prior to 1908. b Including £3,454,715 Government and municipal securities. c Including £3,085,058 Government and municipal securities. d Including £3,530,890 Government and municipal securities. e Including £4,187,717 Government and municipal securities. f Including £4,514,964 Government and municipal securities. g Includes £5,438,217 Government and municipal securities. h Includes statistics for the Commonwealth Bank. i Includes £7,377,245 Government and municipal securities. j Includes £10,817,307 Government and Municipal securities. k Includes £15,385,325 Government and Municipal securities. l Includes £22,015,637 Government and Municipal securities. m Includes £22,638,694 Government and Municipal securities. (n) Includes £23,371,813 Government and Municipal securities.

SAVINGS BANKS.

End of Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania	Total.
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NUMBER OF DEPOSITORS.

1900-1	282,643	393,026	81,025	126,032	39,318	42,509	964,553
1907-8	421,928	511,531	100,324	*174,289	*72,178	55,620	1,335,920
1908-9	436,029	532,425	106,627	*187,482	*77,748	58,145	1,398,456
1909-10	460,251	560,515	114,720	*201,275	*86,166	60,646	1,483,573
1910-1	498,658	595,424	127,219	*216,480	*99,017	63,314	1,600,112
1911-2	544,023	641,736	139,091	*232,971	*111,078	67,105	1,736,004
1912-3 †	619,224	*703,084	168,438	*251,963	*121,201	70,402	1,934,312
1913-4 †	693,618	*735,400	201,163	*267,805	*134,510	76,000	2,108,496
1914-5 †	755,835	*781,490	229,023	*282,169	*144,777	80,446	2,273,740
1915-6 †	806,882	*821,208	249,235	*299,308	*157,355	86,489	2,420,477
1916-7 †	†872,351	*869,058	281,585	*319,960	*172,084	91,680	2,606,718
30/9/17 †	†885,891	*881,640	290,774	*325,381	*174,134	92,341	2,650,161

AMOUNT ON DEPOSIT.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1900-1	10,901,382	9,662,006	3,896,170	3,795,631	1,618,359	1,009,097	30,882,645
1907-8	17,530,157	13,428,676	4,921,881	5,820,344	2,885,463	1,560,951	46,147,472
1908-9	18,805,082	14,101,710	5,158,219	5,347,271	3,059,738	1,605,919	49,077,939
1909-10	20,150,574	15,417,888	5,622,986	6,791,320	3,481,764	1,652,966	53,117,498
1910-1	22,453,924	17,274,423	6,376,969	7,435,772	4,092,504	1,760,090	59,393,682
1911-2	25,361,338	19,662,465	7,342,811	8,248,396	4,408,320	1,933,448	66,956,778
1912-3 †	28,862,592	22,232,196	8,668,284	8,766,182	4,682,738	2,036,211	75,248,203
1913-4 †	32,363,069	24,533,519	10,166,946	9,366,490	4,932,895	2,178,305	83,541,224
1914-5 †	35,562,649	26,996,025	11,972,965	9,595,156	5,149,536	2,301,336	91,577,667
1915-6 †	37,363,272	28,789,426	12,938,636	10,035,036	5,338,009	2,534,266	96,998,645
1916-7 †	40,836,747	31,572,165	14,360,048	11,351,343	5,846,109	2,695,274	106,661,686
30/9/17 †	41,287,812	32,340,062	15,576,547	11,797,339	6,008,157	2,772,078	109,781,995

* Including depositors in Penny Savings Banks. † Includes small balances. ‡ Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank.

AVERAGE PER DEPOSITOR.

End of Year.	N.S.W.			Victoria.			Queensland.			S. Aust.			W. Aust.			Tasmania.			Total.	
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.
1900-1	38	11	5	24	11	8	48	1	9	30	2	4	41	3	3	23	14	9	32	0
1907-8	41	10	11	26	5	0	49	1	2	33	7	11	39	19	6	28	1	4	34	10
1908-9	43	11	2	26	9	9	48	7	6	33	17	1	39	7	1	27	12	5	35	4
1909-10	43	15	8	27	10	1	49	0	4	33	14	10	40	8	2	27	5	1	35	16
1910-1	45	0	7	29	0	3	50	2	6	34	7	0	41	6	7	27	16	0	37	2
1911-2	46	12	4	30	12	9	52	15	10	35	8	1	39	13	9	28	16	3	38	11
1912-3*	46	12	2	31	12	5	51	9	3	34	15	10	38	12	9	28	18	4	38	18
1913-4*	46	13	2	33	7	2	50	10	10	34	19	10	36	13	6	28	13	3	39	12
1914-5*	47	1	0	34	10	11	52	5	7	34	0	1	35	11	5	28	12	2	40	5
1915-6*	46	6	1	35	1	2	51	18	3	33	10	6	33	18	6	29	6	0	40	1
1916-7*	46	16	10	36	6	7	51	0	0	35	9	5	33	19	0	29	7	10	40	18
30/9/17*	46	12	1	36	13	8	53	11	5	36	5	2	34	10	1	30	0	5	41	8

AVERAGE PER INHABITANT.

1900-1	8	0	3	8	0	6	7	15	2	10	10	0	8	11	3	5	16	9	8	3	0
1907-8	11	4	6	10	17	10	9	0	4	15	8	5	11	6	9	8	4	8	11	1	9
1908-9	11	17	5	11	5	6	9	5	2	16	6	0	11	15	8	8	7	6	11	11	11
1909-10	12	9	8	12	1	6	9	14	7	17	2	8	13	2	1	8	11	2	12	5	8
1910-1	13	13	2	13	5	6	10	12	11	18	2	7	14	15	8	9	1	9	13	8	5
1911-2	14	11	7	14	10	5	11	11	8	19	8	11	14	11	7	10	3	6	14	8	4
1912-3*	15	19	0	15	19	10	13	4	2	20	4	3	14	17	8	10	9	4	15	13	4
1913-4*	17	8	7	17	5	1	14	19	6	21	4	0	15	4	6	11	1	5	16	19	6
1914-5*	19	0	1	18	18	6	17	7	2	21	13	6	15	19	4	11	12	0	18	10	0
1915-6*	20	1	0	20	9	6	18	16	5	23	2	11	16	19	3	12	16	8	19	16	1
1916-7*	21	19	5	22	11	2	21	19	0	26	5	9	18	18	7	13	9	10	21	17	7
30/9/17*	22	0	1	22	19	2	22	13	8	27	4	6	19	9	0	13	19	5	22	6	3

* Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank.

COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK.

	30th June, 1913.		30th June, 1914.		30th September, 1917.	
	No. of Depositors.	Amount at Credit of Depositors.	No. of Depositors.	Amount at Credit of Depositors.	No. of Depositors.	Amount at Credit of Depositors.
		£		£		£
N.S.W. ..	15,351	490,586	37,677	1,171,255	121,604	3,991,793
Victoria ..	17,602	666,275	30,371	1,151,823	77,784	3,081,919
Queensland ..	13,481	455,167	24,202	815,947	60,030	2,342,742
S. Aus. ..	3,544	129,931	7,965	317,135	26,682	1,105,775
W. Aus. ..	4,114	112,359	10,111	277,956	31,807	1,119,370
Tasmania ..	29,107	820,442	32,392	885,379	44,617	1,215,342
N. Terr. ..	228	13,151	292	18,709	1,251	95,633
Papua ..	46	2,238	133	7,064	748	30,733
London ..	85	3,822	..	..	8,305	190,685
Total ..	83,558	2,693,971	143,143	4,645,268	372,828	13,173,992

PARTICULARS OF LOCAL AUSTRALIAN WAR LOANS.

	First Issue. (Closed 31/8/15.)	Second Issue. (Closed 31/1/16.)	Third Issue. (Closed 2/9/16.)	Fourth Issue. (Closed 8/2/17.)
No. of applications—				
For Inscribed Stock	8,603	12,450	13,660	13,657
Treasury Bonds	10,145	16,495	88,382	53,303
Total ..	18,748	28,945	102,042	66,960
Amount—	£	£	£	£
Inscribed Stock ..	9,581,120	16,271,710	15,417,650	14,565,190
Treasury Bonds ..	3,808,320	5,383,970	8,169,770	7,011,880
Total ..	13,389,440	21,655,680	23,587,420	21,577,070
Accrued interest ..	221,502	324,170	326,881	254,778
Expenses of flotation	34,659	50,382	50,688	45,900
Total deductions ..	256,161	374,552	377,569	300,678
Net proceeds of loan	13,133,279	21,281,128	23,209,851	21,276,392

Fifth Issue (closed 2nd November, 1917), amount subscribed £20,432,590.

Sixth Issue (closed 24th April, 1918), amount subscribed £43,510,740.

TAXATION BY COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS, 1906-7 to 1916-17.

Year ended 30th June.	Taxation by Common- wealth Government.		Taxation by State Governments (Direct).	Total Taxation.
	Indirect.	Direct.		
	£	£	£	£
1907	9,648,556	..	3,986,922	13,635,478
1908	11,645,352	..	3,601,450	15,246,802
1909	10,844,067	..	3,512,355	14,356,422
1910	11,593,164	..	4,017,660	15,610,824
1911	12,980,444	1,370,344	4,195,485	18,546,273
1912	14,710,136	1,366,457	5,419,668	21,496,261
1913	15,553,034	1,564,794	5,065,213	22,183,041
1914	14,978,070	1,609,836	6,304,836	22,892,742
1915	14,877,254	1,993,342	7,000,395	23,870,991
1916	16,934,103	6,599,426	8,141,746	31,675,275
1917	15,606,441	8,916,572	8,984,470	33,507,483

TAXATION BY COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS PER HEAD, 1906-7 to 1916-17.

Year ended 30th June.			Taxation by Common- wealth Government.			Taxation by State Governments (Direct).	Total Taxation.							
			Indirect.					Direct.						
			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1907	..	..	2	7	1		..		0	19	6	3	6	7
1908	..	..	2	16	0		..		0	17	3	3	13	3
1909	..	..	2	11	3		..		0	16	7	3	7	10
1910	..	..	2	13	8		..		0	18	7	3	12	3
1911	..	..	2	18	8	0	6	2	0	19	0	4	3	10
1912	..	..	3	4	4	0	6	0	1	3	9	4	14	1
1913	..	..	3	5	9	0	6	7	1	1	5	4	13	9
1914	..	..	3	1	6	0	6	7	1	5	11	4	14	0
1915	..	..	3	0	3	0	8	1	1	8	3	4	16	7
1916	..	..	3	8	8	1	6	9	1	13	0	6	8	5
1917	..	..	3	4	0	1	16	7	1	16	10	6	17	5

Section V.—Railways.

PARTICULARS OF WORKING.

RAILWAYS (GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE) OPEN FOR TRAFFIC, 1901 AND 1912-17.

NOTE —The mileage of Government railways is shewn by figures not in brackets; that of private lines is shewn in brackets.

—	1900-1.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.
Commonwealth ...	...	(b)145 (—)	146 (—)	1,193 (c) (—)	1,402 (c) (—)	1,641 (c) (—)
New South Wales ...	2,846 (80)	3,930 (262)	3,967 (262)	4,134 (305)	4,188 (305)	4,437 (305)
Victoria ...	3,237 (a)	3,647 (51)	3,835 (51)	3,875 (62)	4,100 (52)	4,123 (52)
Queensland ...	2,801 (146)	4,381 (512)	4,570 (512)	4,838 (611)	4,967 (616)	5,214 (616)
South Australia ...	1,881 (a)	2,168 (34)	2,323 (34)	2,157 (d) (34)	2,187 (34)	2,221 (34)
Western Australia...	1,355 (629)	2,854 (974)	2,967 (974)	3,332 (943)	3,332 (965)	3,425 (965)
Tasmania ...	458 (143)	507 (222)	519 (222)	533 (246)	562 (196)	582 (196)
Total ...	12,578 (a)	17,632 (2,055)	18,327 (2,055)	20,062 (2,201)	20,738 (2,168)	21,643 (e) (2,168)
Private—						
For general traffic	(a)	1,103	1,103	1,143	1,149	(c) 1,149
„ private „	(a)	952	952	1,058	1,019	(c) 1,019
Grand total ...	—	19,687	20,382	22,263	22,906	23,811

(a) Not available.

(b) Pine Creek to Palmerston line (Northern Territory); the Oodnadatta line, though the property of the Commonwealth Government, is still worked by the Government of South Australia, and was included in the lines of that State up to 1914.

(c) Including Oodnadatta line. (d) See note (c). (e) For year 1915-16.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1917.

Government.	Cost of Construction and Eq'p'm't.	Gross Earnings.	Working Expenses.	Net Earnings.		
				Amount.	Per Train Mile.	Per cent. on Capital.
	£1,000	£	£	£	s. d.	%
Commonwealth *	10,078	386,466	434,265	— 47,799	— 1 0½	—0.47
New South Wales	72,037	8,380,084	5,915,360	2,464,724	2 5¼	3.42
Victoria ...	55,652	5,952,719	4,285,456	1,667,263	2 4½	3.00
Queensland ...	36,476	3,831,967	2,994,187	837,780	1 6¾	2.30
South Australia ...	17,687	2,273,530	1,725,341	548,189	1 11	3.01
Western Australia	17,467	1,877,332	1,448,451	428,931	1 10¾	2.46
Tasmania ...	4,913	340,505	289,186	51,319	0 11½	1.04
Total ...	214,280	23,042,653	17,092,246	5,950,407	1 11½	2.61

— denotes net loss.

AVERAGE MILES WORKED.

	1900-1.	1911-12.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.
Commonwealth	...	145	145	146	*999	*1,297	*1,535
New South Wales	2,818	3,799	3,872	3,959	4,057	4,169	4,313
Victoria ...	3,228	3,543	3,639	3,747	3,848	3,955	4,104
Queensland ...	2,801	4,144	4,351	4,507	4,730	4,939	5,067
South Australia...	1,882	1,938	2,012	2,293	2,026	2,185	2,193
Western Australia	1,355	2,471	2,783	2,910	3,096	3,332	3,370
Tasmania ...	460	503	508	525	536	552	577
Total ...	12,544	16,543	17,310	18,087	19,292	20,429	21,159

* Including Oodnadatta line, previously included in South Australia.

PARTICULARS OF WORKING (Continued).

		1900-1.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.
TRAIN MILES RUN—THOUSANDS.							
Commonwealth ...	...	...	31	30	*816	*953	*914
New South Wales	...	10,764	19,184	20,550	20,420	21,556	20,301
Victoria	...	11,066	14,235	15,029	15,303	13,827	14,022
Queensland	...	5,815	11,464	11,346	11,989	11,572	10,729
South Australia	...	4,423	6,625	7,027	5,581	5,631	5,731
Western Australia	...	4,126	5,623	5,565	5,405	5,149	4,500
Tasmania	...	896	1,006	1,001	1,005	1,051	1,080
Total	...	37,090	58,168	60,548	60,519	59,739	57,277

GROSS EARNINGS.

		£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000
Commonwealth ...	...	...	15	18	*230	*371	*386
New South Wales	...	3,574	6,749	7,742	7,617	8,006	8,380
Victoria	...	3,338	5,205	5,561	5,161	5,705	5,953
Queensland	...	1,317	3,322	3,660	3,832	3,745	3,832
South Australia	...	1,250	2,298	2,414	1,745	1,966	2,274
Western Australia	...	1,353	2,038	2,257	2,058	2,088	1,877
Tasmania	...	206	327	330	323	348	341
Total	...	11,038	19,954	21,982	20,966	22,229	23,043

WORKING EXPENSES.

		£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000
Commonwealth ...	...	...	14	17	*286	*418	*434
New South Wales	...	2,043	4,645	5,410	5,311	5,661	5,915
Victoria	...	2,075	3,589	3,865	4,238	4,119	4,286
Queensland	...	1,058	2,151	2,371	2,402	2,745	2,994
South Australia	...	754	1,483	1,603	1,448	1,546	1,725
Western Australia	...	1,045	1,507	1,572	1,498	1,511	1,448
Tasmania	...	174	217	223	226	249	289
Total	...	7,149	13,606	15,061	15,409	16,249	17,091

NET EARNINGS.

		£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000	£1000
Commonwealth ...	...	...	1	1	*—56	*—47	*—48
New South Wales	...	1,531	2,104	2,332	2,305	2,345	2,465
Victoria	...	1,262	1,616	1,696	923	1,586	1,667
Queensland	...	259	1,171	1,289	1,430	1,000	838
South Australia	...	496	815	812	297	420	548
Western Australia	...	309	531	685	561	577	429
Tasmania	...	32	110	107	97	99	51
Total	...	3,889	6,348	6,922	5,557	5,980	5,950

* See note (*) previous page. — denotes loss.

PARTICULARS OF WORKING (Continued).

		1900-1.	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.
PERCENTAGE OF NET EARNINGS ON CAPITAL COST.							
Commonwealth ...	...	...	0.08	0.08	—0.92	—0.59	—0.47
New South Wales ...	...	3.74	3.69	3.88	3.60	3.41	3.42
Victoria ...	...	3.14	3.40	3.44	1.79	2.92	3.00
Queensland ...	...	1.31	3.93	4.05	4.28	2.88	2.30
South Australia ...	...	4.01	5.04	4.67	1.79	2.44	3.01
Western Australia ...	...	4.35	3.56	4.32	3.30	3.37	2.46
Tasmania ...	...	0.85	2.49	2.39	2.10	2.07	1.04
Total ...	...	3.09	3.73	3.85	2.88	2.91	2.61

— denotes loss.

STATE GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

SIX MONTHS ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1916.

	N.S.W.	Vict.	Q'land.	S.A.*	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open	4,310	4,100	5,049		3,357	566	
Revenue—							
Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, etc.) £	1,816,086	1,449,375	693,736		307,999	77,832	
Goods, including Live Stock and Minerals £	2,141,645	1,263,545	1,245,694		540,015	69,791	
Miscellaneous .. £	..	48,241	21,033		52,926	5,030	
Total Revenue .. £	3,957,731	2,761,161	1,960,463	1,042,400	900,940	152,653	10,775,348
Expenditure .. £	2,905,829	2,062,193	1,687,304	822,190	727,475	136,136	8,341,127
Train miles run	9,925,197	6,547,212	5,660,186	2,700,544	2,258,998	517,930	27,610,067
Earnings per train mile	8s. 0d.	8s. 5d.	6s. 11d.	7s. 9d.	8s. 0d.	5s. 11d.	7s. 10d.
Expenditure per train mile	5s. 10d.	6s. 4d.	6s. 0d.	6s. 1d.	6s. 5d.	5s. 3d.	6s. 0d.
Expenditure per cent. to Earnings	73.42	74.68	86.08	78.87	80.75	89.18	77.42
Passengers carried .. No.	47,737,175	53,121,065	12,522,431		9,008,494	946,540	
Coal & coke carried .. tons	2,623,822	153,365	349,961		199,386		
Other Minerals carried ..	469,166	1,057	366,607		209,945	42,418	
Live Stock carried ..	325,018	190,848	288,814		34,275	7,608	
Other Goods carried ..	1,862,335	2,149,354	1,162,589		793,981	119,884	
Total Freight carried ..	5,280,341	2,494,624	2,167,971		1,237,587	169,910	

SIX MONTHS ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1917.

	N.S.W.	Vict.	Q'land.	S.A.*	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open	4,580	4,127	5,275		3,491	581	
Revenue—							
Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, etc.) £	1,905,327	1,578,525	723,105		331,931	81,224	
Goods, including Live Stock and Minerals £	2,101,591	1,467,190	1,254,075		511,887	77,776	
Miscellaneous .. £	..	54,009	25,851		33,478	5,806	
Total Revenue .. £	4,006,918	3,099,724	2,003,031	1,125,000	877,296	164,806	11,276,775
Expenditure .. £	2,766,291	1,984,928	1,660,105	850,100	700,322	135,522	8,097,268
Train miles run	7,921,679	6,512,364	5,333,225	2,634,505	1,970,950	522,454	24,895,177
Earnings per train mile	10s. 1d.	9s. 6d.	7s. 6d.	8s. 7d.	8s. 11d.	6s. 4d.	9s. 1d.
Expenditure per train mile	7s. 0d.	6s. 1d.	6s. 3d.	6s. 6d.	7s. 1d.	5s. 2d.	6s. 6d.
Expenditure per cent. to Earnings	69.04	64.05	82.88	75.36	79.83	82.23	71.80
Passengers carried .. No.	43,296,622	51,446,873	12,583,013		7,862,695	889,700	
Coal & Coke carried .. tons	2,395,565	212,815	400,356		184,017		
Other Minerals carried ..	323,879	703	289,862		165,692	49,042	
Live Stock carried ..	220,494	216,830	219,437		36,379	10,202	
Other Goods carried ..	1,710,029	2,143,072	1,390,241		762,965	116,003	
Total Freight carried ..	4,649,967	2,573,420	2,299,896		1,149,053	175,247	

* The Oodnadatta line (478 miles) not included.

Section VI.—Labour and Industrial Statistics.

TRADE UNIONS.

Number of Trade Unions, Branch Unions and Membership, at end of Years
1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916 and 1917.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N'thern T'tory.	Total.	C'wlth.
NO. OF SEPARATE UNIONS.									
1912 ..	177	151	67	78	97	51	..	621	*408
1913 ..	201	162	94	86	107	60	..	710	*432
1914 ..	197	170	86	87	107	62	3	712	*430
1915 ..	203	161	89	87	104	66	3	713	*415
1916 ..	199	151	93	86	107	66	3	705	*392
1917 ..	220	156	96	93	108	71	3	747	*389

NO. OF BRANCHES.									
1912 ..	453	241	226	62	177	33	..	1,192	†1,405
1913 ..	555	292	230	74	174	60	..	1,385	†1,663
1914 ..	598	314	224	85	214	62	..	1,497	†1,779
1915 ..	721	312	246	94	203	63	..	1,639	†1,937
1916 ..	790	361	290	102	170	72	..	1,785	†2,098
1917 ..	765	353	291	98	195	76	..	1,778	†2,136

NO. OF MEMBERS.									
1912 ..	192,626	116,557	44,768	37,336	33,282	8,655	..	433,224	433,224
1913 ..	230,677	130,176	51,683	40,061	35,317	10,011	..	497,925	497,925
1914 ..	240,023	138,810	55,580	40,956	38,106	9,149	647	523,271	523,271
1915 ..	241,979	141,993	58,310	39,264	35,980	9,346	1,159	528,031	528,031
1916 ..	244,074	147,614	66,807	42,537	33,900	10,263	1,361	546,556	546,556
1917 ..	248,851	148,730	75,393	45,400	33,263	10,886	1,664	564,187	564,187

* Allowing for inter-State excess. The figures represent the number of distinct organisations and inter-State groups of organisations in the Commonwealth. They do not represent the total number of organisations which are practically independent and self-governing. † Includes not only branches of separate State unions and sub-branches in each State of inter-State unions, but also head State branches of inter-State unions.

Classification of Trade Unions in Commonwealth according to Number of
Members at end of Years 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916 and 1917.

Classifi- cation.	10,000 and over.	5000 and under 10,000.	2000 and under 5000.	1000 and under 2000.	500 and under 1000.	300 and under 500.	200 and under 300.	100 and under 200.	50 and under 100.	Under 50.	Total.
NUMBER OF UNIONS.											
1912 ..	7	15	26	43	32	32	39	67	72	75	408
1913 ..	9	17	26	35	45	47	26	81	84	62	432
1914 ..	8	17	29	39	52	45	32	72	67	69	430
1915 ..	9	16	30	41	44	35	34	69	63	74	415
1916 ..	11	16	35	33	47	43	25	53	59	70	392
1917 ..	9	19	27	36	48	44	28	48	63	67	389

MEMBERSHIP.											
1912 ..	132,335	99,718	79,614	60,558	22,585	12,234	9,483	9,323	5,106	2,268	433,224
1913 ..	176,188	121,710	75,357	48,938	32,154	17,994	6,406	11,326	5,914	1,938	497,925
1914 ..	176,157	125,021	84,359	59,350	37,141	16,439	7,898	10,141	4,572	2,193	523,271
1915 ..	186,755	122,009	89,295	61,264	30,651	13,405	8,308	9,408	4,537	2,399	528,031
1916 ..	219,990	113,587	95,143	49,170	32,429	16,657	6,003	7,091	4,326	2,160	546,556
1917 ..	217,002	144,198	78,019	52,258	34,944	17,433	7,032	6,742	4,550	2,009	564,187

Unemployment.—Number of Unions and Members Reporting, and Number and Percentage Unemployed, 1891 to 1917 (4th Quarter).

PARTICULARS.				Unions.	Membership.	UNEMPLOYED.	
						Number.	Percentage.
1891				25	6,445	599	9.3
1896				25	4,227	457	10.8
1901				39	8,710	574	6.6
1906				47	11,299	753	6.7
1907				51	13,179	757	5.7
1908				68	18,685	1,117	6.0
1909				84	21,122	1,223	5.8
1910				109	32,995	1,857	5.6
1911				160	67,961	3,171	4.7
1912				464	224,023	12,441	5.5
1913, 1st Quarter*				451	237,216	15,234	6.4
2nd "				458	243,523	17,854	7.3
3rd "				472	252,325	17,698	7.0
4th "				465	251,207	13,430	5.3
1914, 1st "				462	262,133	15,541	5.9
2nd "				467	279,318	15,856	5.7
3rd "				466	283,584	30,367	10.7
4th "				439	250,716	27,610	11.0
1915, 1st "				476	279,388	33,465	12.0
2nd "				456	273,190	26,015	9.5
3rd "				484	279,133	24,682	8.8
4th "				465	273,149	18,489	6.8
1916, 1st "				475	291,525	17,178	5.9
2nd "				476	298,675	15,741	5.3
3rd "				472	278,047	14,649	5.3
4th "				470	292,051	19,562	6.7
1917, 1st "				455	290,849	21,892	7.5
2nd "				453	303,507	19,257	6.3
3rd "				432	255,949	18,197	7.1
4th "				459	296,937	21,989	7.4

* For years prior to 1913 the figures refer to the end of the year only, and not to separate quarters. The quarterly figures shew the number of persons who were out of work for three days or more during a specified week in each quarter; they do not include persons out of work through strikes or lock-outs.

Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude for each State and Territory. Comparative particulars for the years 1913, 1914, 1915, and 1916, and for the Quarterly periods of 1917.

Periods.	No. of New Disputes.	No. of establishments involved in New Disputes.	No. of Workpeople involved in New Disputes.			No. of Working Days Lost. All Disputes.			Total Estimated loss in Wages.*
			Directly.	Indirectly.	Total.	New Disputes.	Old Disputes.	Total.	
NEW SOUTH WALES.									
Year 1913	134	466	25,647	14,364	40,011	..	..	468,957	211,368
" 1914	235	908	33,955	22,326	56,281	..	..	836,948	419,656
" 1915	272	694	47,006	22,608	69,614	..	..	464,343	240,322
" 1916	336	717	91,762	31,638	123,400	..	..	1,145,222	674,064
1st Quarter, 1917 ..	76	83	9,985	4,633	14,618	43,546	25,860	69,406	38,569
2nd " 1917 ..	94	107	16,099	4,621	20,720	94,167	704	94,871	56,294
3rd " 1917 ..	116	717	90,708	5,852	96,560	284,913	19,427	286,856	165,477
4th " 1917 ..	10	11	1,723	402	2,125	6,838	295,747	302,585	193,734

* Total estimated loss during the respective periods for all disputes.

Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude for each State and Territory.
Comparative particulars for the years 1913, 1914, 1915, and 1916, and for
the Quarterly periods of 1917.—cont.

Periods.	No. of New Disputes.	No. of establishments involved in New Disputes.	No. of Workpeople involved in New Disputes.			No. of Working Days Lost. All Disputes.			Total Estimated loss in Wages* £
			Directly.	Indirectly.	Total.	New Disputes.	Old Disputes.	Total.	

VICTORIA.

Year 1913	..	..	29	63	4,151	2,026	6,177	..	..	85,212	35,744
" 1914	..	..	44	164	5,999	1,352	7,051	..	..	84,106	39,619
" 1915	..	..	38	154	5,434	809	6,243	..	..	64,878	28,476
" 1916	..	..	55	449	13,576	2,092	15,668	..	..	228,269	114,683
1st Quarter, 1917	..	..	14	114	1,255	627	1,882	15,105	58,508	73,613	37,804
2nd " 1917	..	..	16	46	596	818	1,414	31,830	46,006	77,836	38,931
3rd " 1917	..	..	21	475	14,031	669	14,700	455,270	3,167	458,437	227,650
4th " 1917	..	..	1	1	94	..	94	188	209,960	210,148	105,366

QUEENSLAND.

Year 1913	..	..	17	20	1,781	225	2,006	..	..	55,288	28,374
" 1914	..	..	18	42	1,280	406	1,686	..	..	25,703	11,747
" 1915	..	..	17	39	1,477	589	2,066	..	..	19,934	9,505
" 1916	..	..	64	252	17,367	2,951	20,318	..	..	170,690	96,976
1st Quarter, 1917	..	..	13	18	1,176	60	1,236	3,714	598	4,312	2,559
2nd " 1917	..	..	10	13	2,563	1	2,564	41,653	354	42,007	28,851
3rd " 1917	..	..	10	165	7,468	910	8,378	234,444	312	234,756	128,048
4th " 1917	..	..	6	6	867	..	867	4,322	32,900	37,222	18,922

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

Year 1913	..	..	9	13	272	16	288	..	..	2,412	1,029
" 1914	..	..	13	45	616	575	1,191	..	..	15,275	7,677
" 1915	..	..	15	25	1,314	169	1,483	..	..	19,877	14,442
" 1916	..	..	21	45	1,037	606	1,643	..	..	10,583	6,004
1st Quarter, 1917	..	..	5	11	474	33	507	896	2,651	3,547	2,523
2nd " 1917	..	..	8	13	443	3	446	18,257	120	18,377	9,106
3rd " 1917	..	..	8	17	2,795	85	2,880	34,299	2,000	36,299	19,712
4th " 1917	..	..	3	3	246	25	271	1,874	..	1,874	960

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

Year 1913	..	..	9	324	967	..	967	..	..	6,772	3,515
" 1914	..	..	18	19	1,117	3,292	4,409	..	..	124,175	70,552
" 1915	..	..	6	20	578	68	646	..	..	4,068	2,294
" 1916	..	..	24	35	4,318	4,782	9,100	..	..	102,357	64,325
1st Quarter, 1917	..	..	8	18	382	66	448	842	248	1,090	637
2nd " 1917	..	..	11	100	773	481	1,254	13,271	390	13,661	8,207
3rd " 1917	..	..	3	9	1,228	..	1,228	46,368	3,276	49,644	25,000
4th " 1917	..	..	1	1	18	..	18	10	37,900	37,910	19,303

TASMANIA.

Year 1913	..	..	8	30	444	20	464	..	..	987	434
" 1914	..	..	6	22	288	25	313	..	..	3,286	1,459
" 1915	..	..	2	2	922	..	922	..	..	4,808	2,174
" 1916	..	..	6	36	366	68	434	..	..	21,389	11,207
1st Quarter, 1917	..	..	3	4	77	13	90	1,553	..	1,553	692
2nd " 1917	..	..	2	2	447	610	1,057	18,434	..	18,434	7,850
3rd " 1917	..	..	3	5	538	..	538	20,104	..	20,104	9,810
4th " 1917	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12,450	12,450	6,150

* Total estimated loss during the respective periods for all disputes.

Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude for each State and Territory.
Comparative particulars for the years 1913, 1914, 1915, and 1916, and for
the Quarterly periods of 1917.—cont.

Period.	No. of New Disputes.	No. of Establishments Involved in New Disputes.	No. of Workpeople Involved in New Disputes.			No. of Working Days Lost. All Disputes.			Total Estimated Loss in Wages * £	
			Directly.	Indirectly.	Total.	New Disputes.	Old Disputes.	Total.		
NORTHERN TERRITORY.										
Year 1913	1	4	131	39	170	..	..	2,500	1,675
„ 1914	2	2	68	..	68	..	..	552	348
„ 1915	7	7	254	44	298	..	..	5,237	2,365
„ 1916	2	2	120	..	120	..	..	420	345
1st Quarter 1917 .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	615	..	615	520
2nd „ 1917	2	2	75	..	75	615	..	615	520	

FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY.

Year 1913	1	1	100	100	200	..	..	1,400	600
" 1914	1	1	50	..	50	..	..	350	170
" 1915	1	1	20	..	20	..	..	80	55
" 1916 .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

COMMONWEALTH.

Year 1913	208	921	33,493	16,790	50,283	..	..	623,528	287,739
" 1914	337	1,203	43,073	27,976	71,049	..	..	1,090,395	551,228
" 1915	358	942	57,005	24,287	81,292	..	..	583,225	299,633
" 1916	508	1,536	128,546	42,137	170,683	..	..	1,678,930	967,604
1st Quarter, 1917	119	248	13,349	5,432	18,781	65,656	87,865	153,521	82,784
2nd " 1917	143	283	20,996	6,534	27,530	218,227	47,574	265,801	149,759
3rd " 1917	161	1,388	116,768	7,516	124,284	363,962	28,182	366,780	206,469
4th " 1917	21	22	2,948	427	3,375	13,232	588,957	602,189	344,495

* Total estimated loss during the respective periods for all disputes.

Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude of Industrial Disputes in the Commonwealth, classified in Industrial Groups, 4th Quarter, 1917.

Industrial Group.	No. of New Disputes.	No. of Establishments Involved	No. of Workpeople Involved in New Disputes.			No. of Working Days Lost.			Total Estimated Loss in Wages * £
			Directly.	Indirectly.	Total.	New Disputes.	Old Disputes.	Total.	
I. Wood, Furniture, Timber, etc. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	16,620	16,620	8,525
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11,780	11,780	6,700
III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, etc. ..	3	3	424	..	424	2,722	14,040	16,762	10,597
VI. Other Manufacturing ..	2	2	42	..	42	34	9,669	9,703	4,965
VIII. Mines, Quarries, etc. ..	8	8	2,000	402	2,402	8,353	139,938	148,291	116,451
X. Other Land Transport ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	21,600	21,600	11,000
XI. Shipping, Wharf Labour, etc. ..	5	5	297	..	297	1,380	365,830	367,210	181,600
XII. Pastoral, Agric'l., etc. ..	1	1	134	25	159	636	..	636	340
XIV. Miscellaneous ..	2	3	51	..	51	107	9,480	9,587	4,317
All Groups	21	22	2,948	427	3,375	13,232	588,957	602,189	344,495

* Total loss during the quarter for all disputes, new and old.

CHANGES IN RATES OF WAGES.—Number and Effect of Changes in each State and Territory, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, and 1917.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	F.T.	C'wth.
Number of Changes									
Year 1913..	149	81	41	26	20	12	..	..	329
" 1914..	185	69	50	18	42	19	..	..	384*
" 1915..	169	87	60	31	25	24	3	..	401†
" 1916..	377	168	134	98	42	37	4	4	870‡
" 1917..	201	106	142	78	55	38	16	..	637||
1st Qtr., 1917	54	24	22	23	8	6	..	..	138
2nd "	63	30	35	19	19	10	4	..	180
3rd "	45	32	39	17	11	10	11	..	165
4th "	39	20	46	19	17	12	1	..	154
Number of Persons Affected.									
Year 1913..	89,618	49,254	16,645	4,574	3,036	3,005	..	..	166,132
" 1914..	56,469	29,876	20,198	5,624	8,399	4,262	..	..	125,218*
" 1915..	109,260	39,087	22,864	10,206	2,661	3,147	185	..	197,410†
" 1916..	242,564	119,878	72,079	40,925	5,848	7,232	258	157	492,487‡
" 1917..	101,158	68,272	72,843	20,209	12,997	5,288	1,143	..	292,910||
1st Qtr., 1917	33,947	24,941	8,413	4,922	1,509	1,006	..	..	85,738||
2nd "	29,975	15,655	8,063	4,719	3,788	926	148	..	63,274
3rd "	22,126	16,183	41,406	2,104	2,379	1,099	812	..	86,109
4th "	15,110	11,493	14,961	8,464	5,321	2,257	183	..	57,789
Total Net Amount of Increase per wk.									
Year 1913..	£21,789	£9,880	£3,702	£1,279	£428	£635	..	..	£37,713
" 1914..	£13,558	£6,688	£5,128	£1,941	£2,423	£804	..	..	£30,685*
" 1915..	£29,525	£8,078	£6,398	£3,539	£562	£778	£87	..	£51,905†
" 1916..	£56,835	£30,566	£40,451	£9,930	£1,440	£1,980	£88	£40	£142,923‡
" 1917..	£28,896	£15,129	£20,083	£6,070	£3,407	£1,987	£635	..	£81,007||
1st Qtr., 1917	£8,525	£4,155	£2,782	£1,417	£433	£217	..	..	£22,329||
2nd "	£11,341	£4,233	£3,094	£1,442	£1,210	£603	£86	..	£22,009
3rd "	£4,757	£3,411	£9,961	£681	£713	£360	£499	..	£20,382
4th "	£4,273	£4,330	£5,246	£2,530	£1,051	£807	£50	..	£16,287
Average Increase per Head per week.									
Year 1913..	4s. 10d.	4s. 0d.	4s. 5d.	5s. 7d.	2s. 10d.	4s. 3d.	..	..	4s. 6d.
" 1914..	4s. 10d.	4s. 6d.	5s. 1d.	6s. 11d.	5s. 9d.	3s. 9d.	..	..	4s. 11d.*
" 1915..	5s. 5d.	4s. 2d.	5s. 7d.	6s. 11d.	4s. 3d.	4s. 11d.	9s. 5d.	..	5s. 3d.†
" 1916..	4s. 8d.	5s. 1d.	11s. 3d.	4s. 10d.	4s. 11d.	5s. 6d.	6s. 10d.	5s. 1d.	5s. 10d.‡
" 1917..	5s. 9d.	4s. 5d.	5s. 6d.	6s. 0d.	5s. 3d.	7s. 6d.	11s. 1d.	..	5s. 6d.||
1st Qtr., 1917	5s. 0d.	3s. 4d.	6s. 7d.	5s. 9d.	5s. 9d.	4s. 4d.	..	..	5s. 3d.||
2nd "	7s. 7d.	5s. 5d.	7s. 8d.	6s. 1d.	6s. 5d.	13s. 0d.	11s. 7d.	..	6s. 11d.
3rd "	4s. 4d.	4s. 3d.	4s. 10d.	6s. 6d.	6s. 0d.	6s. 7d.	12s. 3d.	..	4s. 9d.
4th "	5s. 8d.	5s. 10d.	5s. 8d.	6s. 0d.	3s. 11d.	7s. 2d.	5s. 6d.	..	5s. 8d.

* Including one change (common to all States) of £143 to 390 workpeople, brought about by agreement made pursuant to Section 24 of the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act.

† Including two changes (common to all States) which resulted in an increase in wages of £2938 per week to 10,000 workpeople.

‡ Including six changes (common to all States), which resulted in an increase in wages of £1593 to 3546 workpeople.

|| Including one change (common to all States) which resulted in an increase in wages of £4800 to 11,000 workpeople. The particulars relating to the numbers of workpeople who were affected by these changes, and the net amount of increase per week in each State were not ascertainable.

Changes in Rates of Wage, Number and Effect of Changes in each State and Territory, classified according to Industrial Groups, 1917.

Particulars.	INDUSTRIAL GROUP.														
	I. Wood, Furniture, Timber, etc.	II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, etc.	IV. Clothing, Hats, Boots, etc.	V. Books, Printing, etc.	VI. Other Manufacturing.	VII. Building.	VIII. Mines, Quarries, etc.	IX. Rail and Tramway Services.	X. Other Land Transport.	XI. Shipping, etc.	XII. Pastoral, etc.	XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	XIV. Miscellaneous.	COMMONWEALTH.
New South Wales—															
Number of Changes	3	15	14	7	15	28	13	15	18	7	7	3	5	51	201
Number of Persons affected ..	4,590	2,229	2,096	9,910	2,824	4,091	5,650	15,374	7,644	1,090	498	540	8,317	36,305	101,158
Amount of Increase per week £	1,155	564	431	1,863	936	1,423	1,732	8,716	1,100	147	296	(*18)	1,289	9,262	28,896
Victoria—															
Number of Changes	3	15	15	5	6	10	2	3	7	4	2	2	3	29	106
Number of Persons affected ..	2,180	11,115	5,236	10,090	997	6,170	200	1,590	2,559	3,858	489	680	5,050	18,058	68,272
Amount of Increase per week £	394	1,933	858	2,562	252	1,702	59	826	241	1,116	113	140	1,315	3,618	15,129
Queensland—															
Number of Changes	3	17	24	5	4	8	10	6	6	4	7	..	2	46	142
Number of Persons affected ..	865	2,216	20,239	3,637	1,325	1,170	3,980	4,643	15,858	1,831	384	..	1,790	14,905	72,843
Amount of Increase per week £	285	487	129	1,124	488	455	1,023	1,917	8,374	507	186	..	1,025	4,083	20,083
South Australia—															
Number of Changes	1	9	10	4	1	8	4	1	5	4	2	2	4	23	78
Number of Persons affected ..	130	1,061	2,059	2,015	700	780	640	1,833	5,130	2,332	96	95	187	3,151	20,209
Amount of Increase per week £	19	340	378	555	145	338	220	550	1,702	684	130	39	87	883	6,070
Western Australia—															
Number of Changes	3	3	4	..	4	5	2	5	8	1	1	2	..	17	55
Number of Persons affected ..	1,780	361	545	..	240	223	200	660	5,634	600	17	1,800	..	937	12,997
Amount of Increase per week £	315	66	125	..	64	68	90	265	1,146	220	3	715	..	330	3,407
Tasmania—															
Number of Changes	1	..	2	..	1	3	2	5	4	1	..	..	1	18	38
Number of Persons affected ..	950	..	340	..	300	151	320	922	241	550	..	..	15	1,499	5,288
Amount of Increase per week £	400	..	94	..	96	60	120	270	85	380	..	..	4	478	1,987
Northern Territory—															
Number of Changes .. ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	5	1	..	2	16
Number of Persons affected ..	..	12	..	..	..	..	436	..	198	..	129	325	..	43	1,143
Amount of Increase per week £	..	4	..	..	..	..	233	..	63	..	101	220	..	14	635
Commonwealth—															
Number of Changes	14	60	66	21	31	53	38	28	50	19	25†	10	15	144	574†
Number of Persons affected ..	10,495	16,994	30,515	25,652	6,386	12,585	11,426	25,022	37,264	10,261	12,613†	3,440	15,359	74,898	292,910†
Amount of Increase per week £	2,568	3,394	2,015	6,104	1,981	4,046	3,477	12,544	12,711	3,054	5,629†	1,096	3,720	18,668	81,007†

* Decrease. † Including one change effected by an Industrial Agreement under the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act, the particulars of which, in respect to the numbers affected in each State, are not ascertainable. ‡ Including particulars of changes which involved a decrease in rates of wage.

Weighted Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates of Wage, Payable to Adult Male Workers, and Weekly Hours of Labour, 31st December, 1917.

Industrial Groups.	Particulars.†	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Average for Six Capital Towns.
I. Wood, Furniture, etc.	Weekly Wage	67/6	63/1	67/11	61/9	69/1.	62/-	66/-
	Working Hours	48.02	48.07	46.24	47.90	48.00	48.00	47.75
	Hourly Wage	1/4½	1/3½	1/5½	1/3½	1/5½	1/3½	1/4½
II. Engineering, Metal Works, etc.	Weekly Wage	65/11	64/6	64/11	62/1	68/9	61/6	65/-
	Working Hours	48.00	48.00	45.74	48.00	47.95	48.00	47.77
	Hourly Wage	1/4½	1/4½	1/5	1/3½	1/5½	1/3½	1/4½
III. Food, Drink, etc.	Weekly Wage	64/1	62/3	66/2	63/5	62/10	56/1	63/7
	Working Hours	48.56	48.53	47.71	48.43	49.85	49.26	48.47
	Hourly Wage	1/3¾	1/3½	1/4½	1/3¾	1/3	1/1¾	1/3
IV. Clothing, Boots, etc.	Weekly Wage	61/6	56/11	64/5	58/10	63/9	52/11	59/7
	Working Hours	47.79	48.00	47.33	48.00	48.00	48.00	47.86
	Hourly Wage	1/3½	1/2½	1/4½	1/2½	1/4	1/1½	1/3
V. Books, Printing, etc.	Weekly Wage	72/2	70/1	67/9	69/-	70/-	69/3	70/6
	Working Hours	46.73	45.93	45.30	47.56	45.77	46.00	46.28
	Hourly Wage	1/6½	1/6½	1/6	1/5½	1/6½	1/6	1/6½
VI. Other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	65/-	62/4	63/3	63/10	66/2	62/3	63/10
	Working Hours	47.98	48.13	46.91	48.09	48.09	48.15	47.95
	Hourly Wage	1/4½	1/3½	1/4½	1/4	1/4½	1/3½	1/4
VII. Building	Weekly Wage	75/6	70/10	71/6	68/11	70/1	68/2	72/5
	Working Hours	47.28	44.32	44.00	45.19	47.90	47.26	45.83
	Hourly Wage	1/7½	1/7½	1/7½	1/6½	1/5½	1/5½	1/7
VIII. Mining‡	Weekly Wage	75/5	74/3	84/4	91/4	85/8	66/11	78/4
	Working Hours	45.18	44.94	43.03	44.44	47.50	47.18	45.23
	Hourly Wage	1/8	1/7¾	1/11½	2/0¾	1/9¾	1/5	1/8¾
IX. Rail & Tram Services	Weekly Wage	65/11	64/7	70/7	64/8	64/11	59/11	65/11
	Working Hours	48.29	48.15	48.79	48.50	48.46	49.80	48.39
	Hourly Wage	1/4½	1/4	1/5½	1/4	1/4	1/2½	1/4½
X. Other Land Transport	Weekly Wage	59/7	63/2	65/4	61/9	66/-	64/5	62/-
	Working Hours	54.89	51.56	50.92	49.45	48.00	51.88	52.47
	Hourly Wage	1/1	1/2¾	1/3½	1/3	1/4½	1/3	1/2½
XI. Shipping, etc. ..	Weekly Wage ||	60/1	64/1	58/7	64/10	57/8	64/-	61/2
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural etc.	Weekly Wage§	61/1	59/6	62/11	60/7	66/3	56/2	61/1
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	Weekly Wage¶	56/9	51/5	49/8	52/-	60/1	43/6	53/11
	Working Hours	56.55	56.86	56.00	54.70	55.53	58.00	56.38
	Hourly Wage	1/-	-/10¾	-/10¾	-/11½	1/1	-/9	-/11½
XIV. Miscellaneous ..	Weekly Wage	60/3	61/11	59/4	60/6	62/5	57/9	60/9
	Working Hours	48.61	48.59	48.26	47.82	46.98	48.26	48.37
	Hourly Wage	1/3	1/3½	1/2¾	1/3½	1/4	1/2½	1/3
All Groups	Weekly Wage	64/5	63/-	65/3	63/1	68/11	59/7	64/2
	Working Hours	65/5	63/9	66/5	63/8	70/1	60/10	65/1
	Hourly Wage	1/4½	1/4	1/5	1/4	1/5½	1/3	1/4½
All Groups excepting XI. and XII	Weekly Wage	48.41	48.14	47.19	47.82	48.10	48.48	48.10
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

† Particulars relate to the **Average Weighted** weekly wage, working hours and hourly wage, respectively. ‡ Average rates of wage and hours prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State. || Average rates of wage are for occupations other than Masters, Officers, and Engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of victualling and accommodation, where provided, at 45s. per month, but does not include value of commission on bar sales to stewards. In the recent award for Masters and Officers on inter-State and intra-State merchant vessels, the annual value of victualling and accommodation, which was estimated in 1910 at £30, was computed to be £43 17s. § Including the value of Board and Lodging, where supplied, as follows:—In the Agricultural industry, 14s. per week in Victoria, and 15s. in the remaining States; in the Pastoral industry, 15s. in West Australia, 17s. in Tasmania, and 20s. in the remaining States. ¶ Including the value of Board and Lodging, where supplied, as follows:—In Sydney, 15s. to 19s.; in Melbourne, 14s.; in Brisbane, 14s. and 15s.; in Perth, 22s.; and in Adelaide and Hobart, 15s. per week.

Weighted Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates of Wage payable to Adult Female Workers, and Weekly Hours of Labour, 31st December, 1917.

Industrial Groups.	Particulars.†	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Average for Six Capital Towns.
III. Food, Drink, etc.	Weekly Wage	26/1	27/1	26/5	23/3	21/3	24/9	26/4
	Working Hours	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.00
	Hourly Wage	-6½	-6¾	-6½	-5¾	-5½	-6½	-6½
IV. Clothing, Boots, etc.	Weekly Wage	30/3	29/3	30/-	26/7	35/11	26/3	29/7
	Working Hours	47.79	48.00	47.64	48.00	48.00	46.50	47.86
	Hourly Wage	-7½	-7¼	-7½	-6¾	-9	-6¾	-7½
I. II. V. & VI. All other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	29/10	30/11	26/-	33/3	..	32/-	30/4
	Working Hours	47.17	47.90	47.43	47.50	..	48.00	47.57
	Hourly Wage	-7½	-7¾	-6½	-8½	..	-8	-7¾
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, etc.	Weekly Wage‡	33/5	31/5	33/10	28/8	42/5	32/8	33/5
	Working Hours	51.01	50.46	52.50	50.67	49.60	58.00	51.13
	Hourly Wage	-7¾	-7½	-7¾	-6¾	-10¼	-6¾	-7¾
XIV. Shop Assistants, Clerks, etc.	Weekly Wage	29/1	33/4	28/9	28/3	..	..	30/6
	Working Hours	50.29	48.00	48.00	49.00	..	..	49.03
	Hourly Wage	-7	-8½	-7¼	-7	..	..	-7
All Groups ..	Weekly Wage	30/5	30/4	30/5	27/9	38/10	28/5	30/5
	Working Hours	48.98	48.32	48.99	48.73	48.78	49.83	48.71
	Hourly Wage	-7½	-7¾	-7½	-6¾	-9½	-6¾	-7½

† The particulars relate to the **Average Weighted** weekly rates of wage, working hours and hourly wage, respectively. ‡ The value of board and lodging (estimated at 15s. 6d. to 19s. per week in Sydney, 14s. in Melbourne, 22s. in Perth, and 15s in the remaining States) is included, where provided, in order that the rate may be comparable with those paid in other industries.

Weighted Average Nominal Weekly Rate of Wage Payable to Adult Workers for a Full Week's Work in each State and Commonwealth, 30th April, 1914, to 31st December, 1917.

Dates.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	C'wlth.
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MALES.

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
30th April, 1914	55 9	54 3	52 8	54 4	62 2	52 6	55 1
30th June, 1914	55 11	54 4	52 10	54 4	62 9	52 7	55 3
30th September, 1914 ..	56 2	54 7	53 4	54 5	62 10	52 8	55 6
31st December, 1914 ..	56 2	54 7	53 5	54 5	62 10	52 8	55 7
31st March, 1915	56 3	54 8	53 4	54 3	63 1	52 9	55 7
30th June, 1915	56 8	54 8	53 4	54 3	63 1	52 9	55 9
30th September, 1915 ..	56 10	54 11	53 8	54 3	63 1	52 9	56 0
31st December, 1915 ..	57 7	55 3	54 4	54 8	63 4	53 3	56 6
31st March, 1916	58 2	56 7	55 1	55 8	63 4	53 9	57 3
30th June, 1916	58 11	57 0	56 5	56 1	63 4	54 4	57 11
30th September, 1916 ..	59 6	57 9	57 11	56 6	63 8	54 9	58 8
31st December, 1916 ..	61 11	58 10	60 4	59 0	65 2	57 0	60 8
31st March, 1917	62 7	60 0	61 2	59 8	65 5	57 6	61 5
30th June, 1917	63 5	61 2	62 4	61 0	66 4	57 7	62 5
30th September, 1917 ..	63 9	62 3	63 5	61 6	67 10	58 6	63 3
31st December, 1917 ..	64 5	63 0	65 3	63 1	68 11	59 7	64 2

FEMALES.

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
30th April, 1914	26 9	27 4	26 11	24 1	37 4	25 10	27 2
30th June, 1914	26 9	27 4	27 0	24 1	37 4	25 10	27 2
30th September, 1914 ..	26 10	27 9	26 11	24 1	37 4	25 10	27 4
31st December, 1914 ..	26 10	27 9	27 1	24 1	37 4	25 10	27 5
31st March, 1915	26 10	26 11	27 2	24 0	37 5	26 3	27 1
30th June, 1915	27 2	26 11	27 2	24 0	37 5	26 3	27 2
30th September, 1915 ..	27 3	26 11	26 11	24 0	37 5	26 3	27 3
31st December, 1915 ..	27 5	26 11	26 11	24 6	37 5	28 0	27 4
31st March, 1916	27 7	27 11	26 11	24 6	37 5	28 4	27 9
30th June, 1916	27 7	27 11	26 11	24 6	37 5	27 9	27 9
30th September, 1916 ..	27 11	28 2	27 2	24 10	37 5	27 9	28 1
31st December, 1916 ..	28 7	28 5	27 3	24 10	38 10	28 3	28 5
31st March, 1917	29 1	28 10	27 5	25 9	38 10	28 4	28 11
30th June, 1917	29 3	28 10	27 9	27 3	38 10	28 4	29 1
30th September, 1917 ..	30 2	29 7	30 0	27 8	38 10	28 4	30 0
31st December, 1917 ..	30 5	30 4	30 5	27 9	38 10	28 5	30 5

VARIATIONS IN NOMINAL WAGE INDEX-NUMBERS IN DIFFERENT STATES 1914 to 1917.

NOTE.—Index-numbers based on the average wage for the Commonwealth at the 30th April, 1914, as base (= 1000). The index-numbers in this table are comparable throughout.

Dates.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	C'wlth.
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MALES.

30th April, 1914	1,011	984	955	986	1,128	952	1,000*
30th June, 1914	1,014	985	958	986	1,139	954	1,003
30th September, 1914	..	..	1,019	990	967	988	1,140	956	1,008
31st December, 1914	..	..	1,019	990	969	988	1,140	956	1,008
31st March, 1915	..	..	1,021	992	967	984	1,144	957	1,009
30th June, 1915	..	..	1,028	992	967	984	1,145	957	1,012
30th September, 1915	..	..	1,031	996	974	985	1,145	958	1,015
31st December, 1915	..	..	1,044	1,002	986	992	1,149	965	1,023
31st March, 1916	..	..	1,055	1,026	999	1,011	1,149	976	1,039
30th June, 1916	..	..	1,069	1,035	1,024	1,018	1,149	986	1,051
30th September, 1916	..	..	1,079	1,047	1,051	1,025	1,155	993	1,064
31st December, 1916	..	..	1,123	1,067	1,095	1,071	1,182	1,034	1,100
31st March, 1917	..	..	1,136	1,089	1,110	1,083	1,186	1,044	1,115
30th June, 1917	..	..	1,151	1,109	1,131	1,107	1,203	1,044	1,132
30th September, 1917	..	..	1,157	1,130	1,151	1,116	1,231	1,061	1,147
31st December, 1917	..	..	1,168	1,143	1,183	1,144	1,250	1,081	1,164

FEMALES.

30th April, 1914	..	..	984	1,006	989	885	1,373	950	1,000*
30th June, 1914	..	..	984	1,006	993	885	1,373	950	1,000
30th September, 1914	..	..	987	1,022	990	885	1,373	950	1,006
31st December, 1914	..	..	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,008
31st March, 1915	..	..	987	989	999	883	1,376	964	996
30th June, 1915	..	..	998	989	999	883	1,376	964	1,000
30th September, 1915	..	..	1,003	990	990	883	1,376	1,031	1,002
31st December, 1915	..	..	1,007	990	990	901	1,376	1,031	1,005
31st March, 1916	..	..	1,015	1,025	991	901	1,376	1,042	1,022
30th June, 1916	..	..	1,013	1,027	991	902	1,376	1,019	1,021
30th September, 1916	..	..	1,027	1,037	998	913	1,376	1,019	1,032
31st December, 1916	..	..	1,050	1,047	1,004	915	1,429	1,041	1,047
31st March, 1917	..	..	1,072	1,061	1,009	947	1,430	1,042	1,064
30th June, 1917	..	..	1,078	1,061	1,021	1,004	1,430	1,042	1,071
30th September, 1917	..	..	1,109	1,090	1,105	1,019	1,430	1,042	1,105
31st December, 1917	..	..	1,119	1,116	1,120	1,020	1,430	1,045	1,121

* Basis of Table.

Boards Authorised and Constituted, Awards, Determinations and Agreements in Force, 31st December, 1917.

Particulars.	C'with	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
1. <i>Boards Authorised, Constituted, and in Force</i>								
Number of Boards authorised		*237	149	†2	57	..	33	478
" " constituted		*237	147	†2	55	..	32	473
2. <i>Boards Constituted which have made Awards or Determinations—</i>								
Number of Boards which had made or varied awards or determinations		219	139	†1	50	..	32	†441
" " which had not made any award or determination		18	8	1	\$5	..	..	32
3. <i>Number of Awards and Determinations in Force†</i>	64	251	145	125	721	56	32	744
4. <i>Scope of State Awards and Determinations—</i>								
Number applying to the whole State		17	16	14	..	..	25	72
" " Metropolitan area only		80	1	31	62	30	1	205
" " Metropolitan and Country towns		89	118	26	2	5	6	246
" " Country areas		65	10	54	7	21	..	157
5. <i>Number of Commonwealth Awards in Force in each State</i>		41	41	30	37	25	34	..
6. <i>Industrial Agreements in Force</i>	465	82	..	75	18	92	..	732
7. <i>Number of Commonwealth Agreements in Force in each State</i>		137	281	43	50	36	37	..
8. <i>Number of Persons working under State Awards, Determinations and Industrial Agreements (estimated)¶</i>		260,000	150,000	90,000	25,000	32,000	12,000	569,000

* Excluding Special Demarcation Boards. † In pursuance of the provisions of the Industrial Arbitration Act of 1916 all Industrial Boards appointed under the Industrial Peace Act 1912 were dissolved on the 12th January, 1917, with the exception of those which had matters pending or partly heard. At the end of December, 1917, all Boards appointed under the old Act had been dissolved. The work of these Boards is now being undertaken by a Court of Industrial Arbitration constituted under the new Act. ‡ Including awards made by Industrial Courts. § Three of these Boards have not made determinations, but the Industrial Court has made three Orders covering the occupations for which such Boards were authorised. The other two Boards have made determinations which have been quashed by the Industrial Court. ¶ Not including any allowance for persons who have enlisted in the A.I.F.

Section VII.—Prices, House Rent, and Purchasing-Power of Money.

Purchasing-Power of Money, General Results of Investigation in each Metropolitan Town, 1901 to 1917.*

TOWN.	1901.	1906.	1908.	1909.	1910.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.	1917.
GROUPS I., II., AND III. COMBINED.—GROCERIES AND FOOD.												
Sydney	917	964	1,030	1,012	1,000	989	1,124	1,131	1,156	1,396	1,520	1,540
Melbourne	965	945	995	949	960	935	1,082	1,024	1,091	1,411	1,462	1,412
Brisbane	965	959	1,023	983	1,000	1,018	1,102	1,042	1,078	1,373	1,426	1,405
Adelaide	1,028	982	1,010	1,025	1,001	1,020	1,154	1,119	1,215	1,487	1,532	1,445
Perth	1,184	1,237	1,226	1,212	1,251	1,346	1,345	1,267	1,302	1,483	1,542	1,505
Hobart	1,011	1,047	1,055	1,093	1,073	1,058	1,190	1,164	1,212	1,445	1,523	1,544
Weighted Average*	972	980	1,031	1,006	1,005	1,000	1,129	1,095	1,144	1,416	1,495	1,472

GROUP IV.—HOUSE RENT.

Sydney	858	891	922	955	988	1,090	1,183	1,246	1,279	1,220	1,212	1,216
Melbourne	733	782	828	842	916	970	1,016	1,089	1,126	1,085	1,089	1,124
Brisbane	488	524	616	662	700	767	804	863	882	859	847	859
Adelaide	629	761	872	940	1,018	1,112	1,160	1,125	1,040	932	930	959
Perth	801	716	678	667	696	810	880	928	914	848	869	874
Hobart	667	686	727	749	776	805	829	887	914	928	928	951
Weighted Average*	751	793	839	867	919	1,000	1,063	1,118	1,135	1,081	1,081	1,098

ALL GROUPS COMBINED.—GROCERIES, FOOD, AND HOUSE RENT.

Sydney	893	934	986	989	995	1,031	1,148	1,178	1,206	1,323	1,394	1,407
Melbourne	870	878	926	905	942	950	1,055	1,051	1,105	1,277	1,309	1,294
Brisbane	769	780	856	851	877	915	979	969	997	1,162	1,188	1,181
Adelaide	864	891	953	990	1,008	1,058	1,157	1,121	1,143	1,259	1,285	1,245
Perth	1,027	1,023	1,001	988	1,023	1,126	1,154	1,128	1,143	1,222	1,266	1,246
Hobart	869	899	920	952	951	954	1,042	1,053	1,090	1,233	1,278	1,301
Weighted Average*	880	902	951	948	970	1,000	1,101	1,104	1,140	1,278	1,324	1,318

* Index-numbers for intervening years not given may be found in Labour Report No. 6, p. 26.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE WEEKLY RENTALS IN CAPITAL TOWNS, 1st QUARTER 1916, TO 1st QUARTER, 1918, INCLUSIVE.

TOWN.	1916.								1917.								1918.	
	1st Quarter (Jan. to March.)		2nd Quarter (April to June.)		3rd Quarter (July to Sept.)		4th Quarter. (Oct. to Dec.)		1st Quarter (Jan. to March.)		2nd Quarter (April to June.)		3rd Quarter (July to Sept.)		4th Quarter (Oct. to Dec.)		1st Quarter (Jan. to March.)	
	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
Sydney ..	18	10	18	11	18	11	18	11	18	11	18	11	18	11	19	1	19	4
Melbourne ..	17	0	16	11	17	0	17	1	17	5	17	4	17	7	17	10	18	0
Brisbane ..	13	1	13	2	13	3	13	4	13	4	13	5	13	5	13	5	13	10
Adelaide ..	14	6	14	6	14	6	14	7	14	10	14	11	15	0	15	2	15	4
Perth ..	13	7	13	7	13	7	13	7	13	7	13	7	13	8	13	8	13	9
Hobart ..	14	4	14	5	14	6	14	8	14	9	14	10	14	11	14	11	14	8

NOTE.—The Rentals are shewn to the nearest penny.

Purchasing-Power-of-Money Index-Numbers (Food, Groceries, and House Rent), for each of Thirty Towns, 1912 to 1918 (1st Quarter), with Weighted Average for Six Capital Towns in 1911 as Base (= 1000).†

Particulars.	1912.	1914.	1915.	1916.	1917.			1918.
	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	1st Qtr., (Jan. to March).	4th Qtr., (Oct. to Dec.).	1st Qtr., (Jan. to March).
N. S. WALES—								
Sydney	1,148	1,206	1,323	1,394	1,407	1,381	1,425	1,424
Newcastle	955	994	1,147	1,208	1,222	1,211	1,233	1,259
Broken Hill§	1,080	1,068	1,087	1,282	1,315	1,322	1,308	1,328
Goulburn	1,042	1,130	1,274	1,350	1,338	1,352	1,344	1,335
Bathurst	919	987	1,104	1,178	1,193	1,178	1,208	1,206
*Weighted Average ..	1,125	1,179	1,295	1,370	1,383	1,361	1,400	1,400
VICTORIA—								
Melbourne	1,055	1,105	1,277	1,309	1,294	1,280	1,308	1,326
Ballarat	914	904	1,111	1,126	1,083	1,083	1,087	1,102
Bendigo	926	922	1,110	1,118	1,093	1,077	1,098	1,126
Geelong	996	1,012	1,182	1,233	1,221	1,213	1,219	1,237
Warrnambool.. ..	935	959	1,157	1,185	1,168	1,159	1,169	1,175
*Weighted Average ..	1,033	1,073	1,249	1,279	1,262	1,249	1,273	1,292
QUEENSLAND—								
Brisbane	979	997	1,162	1,188	1,181	1,146	1,225	1,216
Toowoomba	977	950	1,133	1,133	1,116	1,065	1,179	1,133
Rockhampton	962	988	1,154	1,216	1,163	1,138	1,190	1,197
Charters Towers ..	1,008	988	1,151	1,182	1,187	1,163	1,215	1,244
Warwick	1,004	912	1,067	1,102	1,124	1,068	1,191	1,188
*Weighted Average ..	981	988	1,155	1,182	1,172	1,137	1,215	1,208
S. AUSTRALIA—								
Adelaide	1,157	1,143	1,259	1,285	1,245	1,261	1,242	1,295
Kadina, Moonta Wallaroo	917	960	1,139	1,204	1,193	1,200	1,183	1,231
Port Pirie§	1,004	1,055	1,172	1,261	1,269	1,269	1,267	1,302
Mt. Gambier	874	923	1,109	1,165	1,132	1,128	1,134	1,160
Petersburg	1,014	1,126	1,234	1,251	1,223	1,231	1,219	1,252
*Weighted Average ..	1,126	1,122	1,243	1,275	1,239	1,253	1,236	1,287
W. AUSTRALIA—								
Perth	1,154	1,143	1,222	1,266	1,246	1,242	1,232	1,235
Kalgoorlie and Boulder	1,334	1,291	1,398	1,418	1,398	1,377	1,424	1,415
Mid. Junction & Guildford	1,123	1,104	1,204	1,226	1,186	1,191	1,166	1,164
Bunbury	1,104	1,111	1,194	1,214	1,193	1,194	1,136	1,129
Geraldton	1,255	1,315	1,386	1,372	1,349	1,342	1,359	1,341
*Weighted Average ..	1,191	1,175	1,261	1,297	1,275	1,269	1,269	1,268
TASMANIA—								
Hobart	1,042	1,090	1,233	1,278	1,301	1,268	1,377	1,364
Launceston	999	1,014	1,190	1,253	1,258	1,245	1,289	1,304
Zeehan	952	898	1,048	1,095	1,083	1,066	1,122	1,125
Beaconsfield	827	813	991	1,035	1,034	1,004	1,068	1,061
Queenstown	988	1,021	1,208	1,260	1,228	1,198	1,264	1,264
*Weighted Average ..	1,012	1,041	1,199	1,251	1,261	1,236	1,317	1,315
†Weighted Average for Commonwealth ..	1,080	1,113	1,255	1,301	1,294	1,279	1,310	1,320

* Average for the five towns. † Average for thirty towns. ‡ See remarks on page 336 Labour Report No. 7, with reference to change of base period. § See remarks on page 367, Labour Report No. 7, paragraph (iv.) re house rent.

Purchasing-Power of Money.—Amounts necessary on the Average in each Year from 1901 to 1918 (1st Quarter) to purchase in each Capital Town what would have cost on the Average £1 in 1911 in the Australian Capitals regarded as a whole.*

Year,			Sydney.	Melb'rne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth.	Hobart.	Weighted Average of 6 Capital Towns
			s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1901	..	..	17 10	17 5	15 5	17 3	20 6	17 5	17 7
1902	..	..	19 7	18 1	16 0	17 3	21 7	17 10	18 7
1903	..	..	19 2	17 7	15 9	16 9	21 8	17 11	18 2
1904	..	..	17 5	17 1	14 8	16 3	20 10	17 1	17 2
1905	..	..	18 9	17 7	15 5	17 6	20 11	17 9	18 0
1906	..	..	18 8	17 7	15 7	17 10	20 5	18 0	18 0
1907	..	..	18 6	17 6	15 11	17 11	19 9	17 9	17 11
1908	..	..	19 9	18 6	17 1	19 1	20 0	18 5	19 0
1909	..	..	19 9	18 1	17 0	19 10	19 9	19 0	19 0
1910	..	..	19 11	18 10	17 6	20 2	20 6	19 0	19 5
1911	..	..	20 7	19 0	18 4	21 2	22 6	19 1	20 0†
1912	..	..	22 11	21 1	19 7	23 2	23 1	20 10	22 0
1913	..	..	23 7	21 0	19 5	22 5	22 6	21 1	22 1
1914	..	..	24 1	22 1	19 11	22 10	22 10	21 10	22 10
1915	..	..	26 6	25 6	23 3	25 2	24 5	24 8	25 7
1916	..	..	27 10	26 2	23 9	25 8	25 4	25 7	26 6
1917	..	..	28 1	25 11	23 7	24 11	24 11	26 0	26 4
1912	1st Quarter		21 4	19 9	19 6	22 6	22 4	19 7	20 9
	2nd	..	22 5	20 10	19 6	23 2	23 8	20 2	21 9
	3rd	..	24 1	22 1	19 8	23 8	23 6	21 5	22 11
	4th	..	23 10	21 8	19 8	23 3	22 10	22 2	22 7
1913	1st	..	23 5	21 0	19 1	22 8	22 6	21 1	22 0
	2nd	..	23 10	21 2	19 7	22 11	22 11	21 3	22 4
	3rd	..	23 6	21 1	19 4	22 4	22 4	21 1	22 1
	4th	..	23 6	20 10	19 6	21 10	22 5	20 10	21 11
1914	1st	..	24 0	21 4	19 7	22 4	22 3	21 1	22 4
	2nd	..	24 3	22 7	19 9	23 6	22 10	22 0	23 1
	3rd	..	24 2	22 5	20 1	23 2	23 3	21 10	23 0
	4th	..	24 1	22 1	20 4	22 5	23 0	22 3	22 10
1915	1st	..	24 7	22 11	21 1	23 3	23 10	22 10	23 6
	2nd	..	25 2	25 3	22 8	25 4	24 8	24 3	24 11
	3rd	..	28 1	27 6	24 2	26 6	25 1	25 10	27 2
	4th	..	28 0	26 5	25 1	25 8	24 1	25 9	26 8
1916	1st	..	28 4	26 9	25 2	25 11	24 10	26 4	27 0
	2nd	..	27 10	26 5	24 1	26 2	25 7	25 11	26 8
	3rd	..	27 9	26 0	22 11	25 7	25 9	25 2	26 4
	4th	..	27 6	25 7	22 10	25 2	25 1	24 10	26 0
1917	1st	..	27 7	25 7	22 11	25 3	24 10	25 4	26 0
	2nd	..	27 9	25 9	23 3	25 2	25 6	25 3	26 2
	3rd	..	28 8	26 0	23 9	24 5	24 8	25 11	26 7
1918	4th	..	28 6	26 2	24 6	24 10	24 8	27 6	26 8
	1st	..	28 6	26 6	24 4	25 11	24 8	27 3	26 11

* These results are based upon the regimen referred to on pp. 20-2 Labour Report No. 6

† Basis of Table.

Purchasing-Power of Money.—Groceries and Food only.—Amount necessary on the Average in each Year from 1901 to 1918 (1st Quarter) to purchase in each Capital Town what would have cost on the Average £1 in 1911 in the Australian Capitals regarded as a whole.*

Year	Sydney.	Melb'ne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Weighted Average of 6 Capital Towns†
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1901	18 4	19 4	19 4	20 7	23 8	20 3	19 4
1902	21 4	20 4	20 4	20 6	25 6	21 0	21 1
1903	20 7	19 6	19 9	19 8	25 8	21 1	20 4
1904	17 6	18 4	17 10	18 10	24 3	19 8	18 5
1905	19 5	19 1	18 11	19 10	25 2	20 7	19 8
1906	19 3	18 11	19 2	19 8	24 9	20 11	19 7
1907	18 9	18 6	18 11	19 0	23 11	20 2	19 1
1908	20 7	19 11	20 6	20 2	24 6	21 1	20 7
1909	20 3	19 0	19 8	20 6	24 3	21 10	20 1
1910	20 0	19 2	20 0	20 0	25 0	21 6	20 1
1911	19 9	18 8	20 4	20 5	26 11	21 2	20 0†
1912	22 6	21 8	22 0	23 1	26 11	23 10	22 6
1913	22 8	20 6	20 10	22 5	25 4	23 3	21 11
1914	23 1	21 10	21 7	24 4	26 0	24 3	22 11
1915	27 11	28 3	27 6	29 9	29 8	28 11	28 4
1916	30 5	29 3	28 6	30 8	30 10	30 5	29 11
1917	30 10	28 3	28 2	28 11	30 1	30 11	29 5
1912 { 1st Qt'r	20 9	19 9	21 11	22 0	26 0	21 10	21 0
1912 { 2nd "	21 10	21 5	21 11	22 11	28 2	22 11	22 3
1912 { 3rd "	23 11	23 2	22 1	23 10	27 4	24 8	23 9
1912 { 4th "	23 6	22 3	22 3	23 6	26 1	25 9	23 2
1913 { 1st "	22 9	20 9	20 9	22 5	25 6	23 2	22 0
1913 { 2nd "	23 2	20 10	21 2	22 11	26 0	23 9	22 4
1913 { 3rd "	22 7	20 5	20 10	22 4	25 0	23 5	21 10
1913 { 4th "	22 1	20 0	20 8	21 10	24 11	22 9	21 5
1914 { 1st "	23 0	20 7	20 11	22 11	24 11	23 3	22 1
1914 { 2nd "	23 3	22 4	21 2	25 0	25 11	24 7	23 2
1914 { 3rd "	23 1	22 0	21 8	24 7	26 9	24 3	23 0
1914 { 4th "	23 1	22 4	22 6	24 8	26 7	24 10	23 3
1915 { 1st "	24 7	23 9	23 11	26 4	28 5	25 10	24 8
1915 { 2nd "	25 9	27 8	26 4	30 2	30 2	28 3	27 3
1915 { 3rd "	30 9	31 8	29 0	32 0	30 11	30 10	31 1
1915 { 4th "	30 7	29 10	30 8	30 6	29 2	30 8	30 3
1916 { 1st "	31 4	30 2	31 0	31 0	30 1	31 10	30 10
1916 { 2nd "	30 4	29 8	29 1	31 6	31 3	31 1	30 2
1916 { 3rd "	30 2	29 0	27 1	30 5	31 7	29 9	29 7
1916 { 4th "	29 8	28 2	26 10	29 8	30 5	29 1	28 11
1917 { 1st "	30 0	27 11	27 0	29 6	30 0	29 10	28 11
1917 { 2nd "	30 1	28 3	27 6	29 4	31 1	29 8	29 3
1917 { 3rd "	31 9	28 5	28 5	28 1	29 8	30 8	29 9
1917 { 4th "	31 4	28 5	29 7	28 8	29 7	33 5	29 10
1918 1st "	31 1	28 11	28 11	30 3	29 7	33 2	30 0

* These results are based upon the regimen referred to on pp. 20-2 Labour Report No. 6.

† Basis of Table.

Purchasing-Power of Money.—House Rent.—Amount payable on the Average in each Year from 1901 to 1918 (1st Quarter) for House Rent in each Capital Town, compared with a Rent of £1 in 1911 in the Australian Capitals regarded as a whole.

Year.	Sydney.	Melb'ne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Weighted Average of 6 Capital Towns
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1901	17 3	14 8	9 9	12 7	16 0	13 4	15 1
1902	17 3	14 11	9 10	12 7	15 11	13 5	15 2
1903	17 4	14 11	10 1	12 7	16 0	13 6	15 3
1904	17 5	15 3	10 2	12 7	16 0	13 6	15 4
1905	17 10	15 5	10 5	14 0	14 9	13 7	15 8
1906	17 11	15 8	10 6	15 3	14 4	13 9	15 11
1907	18 4	16 1	11 6	16 3	13 8	14 2	16 4
1908	18 7	16 7	12 4	17 5	13 7	14 7	16 10
1909	19 2	16 10	13 3	18 10	13 4	15 0	17 5
1910	19 10	18 4	14 0	20 4	13 11	15 6	18 5
1911	21 10	19 5	15 4	22 3	16 3	16 1	20 0*
1912	23 8	20 4	16 1	23 2	17 7	16 7	21 3
1913	24 11	21 10	17 3	22 6	18 7	17 10	22 4
1914	25 7	22 6	17 8	20 10	18 3	18 3	22 8
1915	24 5	21 8	17 2	18 8	17 0	18 7	21 7
1916	24 3	21 9	17 0	18 7	17 4	18 7	21 7
1917	24 3	22 6	17 5	19 2	17 5	19 0	22 0
1912 { 1st Qt'r	22 4	19 8	16 0	23 3	17 0	16 3	20 6
1912 { 2nd "	23 4	20 0	16 1	23 5	17 2	16 4	21 1
1912 { 3rd "	24 7	20 7	16 2	23 5	18 0	16 10	21 10
1912 { 4th "	24 4	20 11	16 0	22 11	18 3	16 11	21 7
1913 { 1st "	24 5	21 4	16 10	22 11	18 3	18 0	22 0
1913 { 2nd "	24 10	21 9	17 2	22 11	18 6	17 9	22 4
1913 { 3rd "	24 11	22 0	17 3	22 3	18 7	17 8	22 5
1913 { 4th "	25 6	22 1	17 10	21 10	18 11	18 0	22 8
1914 { 1st "	25 6	22 5	17 8	21 6	18 5	18 1	22 8
1914 { 2nd "	25 9	22 10	17 10	21 5	18 5	18 3	23 0
1914 { 3rd "	25 8	22 11	17 10	21 1	18 4	18 5	22 11
1914 { 4th "	25 5	21 10	17 4	19 3	17 11	18 6	22 2
1915 { 1st "	24 7	21 10	17 1	18 10	17 5	18 6	21 9
1915 { 2nd "	24 5	21 9	17 4	18 6	16 11	18 7	21 7
1915 { 3rd "	24 5	21 7	17 2	18 7	16 10	18 7	21 7
1915 { 4th "	24 3	21 7	17 2	18 7	16 10	18 7	21 6
1916 { 1st "	24 2	21 9	16 10	18 7	17 5	18 5	21 6
1916 { 2nd "	24 3	21 8	16 11	18 7	17 5	18 6	21 7
1916 { 3rd "	24 3	21 9	17 0	18 7	17 4	18 7	21 7
1916 { 4th "	24 3	21 11	17 2	18 8	17 4	18 10	21 8
1917 { 1st "	24 3	22 3	17 10	19 1	17 5	18 11	21 10
1917 { 2nd "	24 3	22 3	17 3	19 1	17 5	19 0	21 10
1917 { 3rd "	24 2	22 7	17 3	19 2	17 6	19 1	22 0
1917 { 4th "	24 6	22 10	17 2	19 5	17 6	19 1	22 2
1918 1st "	24 9	23 1	17 8	19 8	17 8	18 10	22 5

* Basis of Table.

**RETAIL PRICES INDEX-NUMBERS (FOOD AND GROCERIES), FOR EACH OF
THIRTY TOWNS FOR THE MONTHS SPECIFIED, WITH WEIGHTED
AVERAGE FOR SIX CAPITAL TOWNS IN 1911 AS BASE (=1000).†**

Particulars.	1914.	1916.		1917.			1918.			Per cent. in- crease from July, 1914, to Mar., 1918.
	July.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	
NEW SOUTH WALES—										
Sydney	1,153	1,597	1,570	1,505	1,510	1,533	1,545	1,558	1,555	24.9
Newcastle	1,147	1,544	1,539	1,527	1,514	1,549	1,552	1,566	1,566	36.5
Broken Hill	1,468	1,751	1,864	1,804	1,795	1,780	1,798	1,773	1,780	21.3
Goulburn	1,183	1,543	1,568	1,530	1,508	1,527	1,471	1,489	1,483	25.4
Bathurst	1,097	1,480	1,453	1,471	1,463	1,504	1,505	1,497	1,500	36.7
*Weighted Average ..	1,165	1,597	1,578	1,519	1,522	1,544	1,554	1,566	1,564	34.3
VICTORIA—										
Melbourne	1,106	1,547	1,541	1,398	1,393	1,423	1,435	1,449	1,458	31.8
Ballarat	1,103	1,531	1,519	1,400	1,400	1,411	1,438	1,430	1,431	29.7
Bendigo	1,107	1,505	1,543	1,398	1,390	1,396	1,415	1,422	1,465	32.3
Geelong	1,089	1,526	1,537	1,400	1,419	1,417	1,448	1,452	1,460	34.1
Warrnambool	1,087	1,510	1,541	1,425	1,420	1,443	1,449	1,443	1,452	33.6
*Weighted Average ..	1,105	1,542	1,540	1,399	1,395	1,421	1,435	1,446	1,456	31.8
QUEENSLAND—										
Brisbane	1,057	1,573	1,531	1,353	1,355	1,480	1,437	1,449	1,456	37.8
Toowoomba	1,041	1,573	1,536	1,311	1,312	1,447	1,407	1,396	1,416	36.0
Rockhampton	1,156	1,681	1,661	1,391	1,393	1,477	1,461	1,509	1,480	23.0
Charters Towers ..	1,246	1,676	1,666	1,549	1,545	1,587	1,653	1,660	1,671	34.1
Warwick	1,083	1,532	1,502	1,332	1,342	1,478	1,485	1,495	1,500	38.5
*Weighted Average ..	1,082	1,592	1,556	1,368	1,370	1,485	1,456	1,469	1,473	36.1
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—										
Adelaide	1,250	1,572	1,574	1,480	1,480	1,437	1,504	1,499	1,539	23.1
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo ..	1,230	1,609	1,625	1,566	1,569	1,549	1,582	1,568	1,562	27.0
Port Pirie	1,291	1,672	1,656	1,582	1,594	1,607	1,637	1,630	1,622	25.6
Mt. Gambier	1,064	1,495	1,522	1,423	1,426	1,452	1,460	1,457	1,471	38.3
Petersburg	1,340	1,638	1,642	1,560	1,564	1,565	1,612	1,597	1,579	17.8
*Weighted Average ..	1,247	1,577	1,580	1,489	1,490	1,453	1,515	1,510	1,542	23.7
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—										
Perth	1,340	1,521	1,528	1,500	1,505	1,477	1,488	1,446	1,506	12.4
Kalgoorlie and Boulder ..	1,664	1,842	1,851	1,742	1,731	1,817	1,859	1,812	1,803	8.4
Mid. Junc. & Guildford ..	1,354	1,549	1,586	1,522	1,524	1,474	1,491	1,458	1,498	10.6
Bunbury	1,418	1,637	1,639	1,653	1,655	1,550	1,557	1,560	1,598	12.7
Geraldton	1,445	1,682	1,719	1,612	1,613	1,659	1,649	1,606	1,630	12.8
*Weighted Average ..	1,412	1,596	1,605	1,558	1,559	1,553	1,571	1,529	1,573	11.4
TASMANIA—										
Hobart	1,211	1,645	1,615	1,482	1,471	1,694	1,680	1,658	1,639	35.4
Launceston	1,144	1,600	1,573	1,494	1,479	1,572	1,577	1,584	1,584	38.5
Zeehan	1,292	1,736	1,711	1,603	1,586	1,736	1,713	1,712	1,696	31.3
Beaconsfield	1,230	1,678	1,673	1,564	1,568	1,665	1,660	1,676	1,654	34.5
Queenstown	1,315	1,715	1,694	1,600	1,595	1,709	1,727	1,711	1,700	29.3
*Weighted Average ..	1,201	1,641	1,613	1,502	1,491	1,658	1,651	1,641	1,628	35.6
†Weighted Aver. for Cwth.	1,164	1,577	1,566	1,462	1,462	1,492	1,505	1,510	1,519	30.5

* Average for the five towns. † Average for thirty towns.

‡ See remarks on page 31 of Labour Report No. 6 with reference to change of base period.

NOTE.—Corresponding index-numbers for the intervening months are given in Labour Reports Nos. 6 and 7, and in Labour Bulletin No. 17.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY FOR THE COMMONWEALTH, 1871-1916.

Heading.		Years.						
		1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1914.	1916.
Population	Males	928,918	1,247,059	1,736,617	2,004,836	2,377,920	2,551,431	2,401,064
	Females	771,970	1,059,677	1,504,368	1,820,077	2,190,787	2,389,521	2,474,261
	Total	1,700,888	2,306,736	3,240,985	3,824,913	4,568,707	4,940,952	4,875,325
Births ...	No.	63,625	80,004	110,187	102,945	122,193	137,983	131,426
	Rate	38.00	35.26	34.47	27.16	27.21	28.05	26.78
Deaths ...	No.	22,175	33,327	47,430	46,330	47,869	51,720	54,197
	Rate	13.24	14.69	14.84	12.22	10.66	10.51	11.04
Marriages	No.	11,623	17,244	23,862	27,753	39,482	43,311	40,289
	Rate	6.94	7.60	7.47	7.32	8.79	8.80	8.21
Agriculture—								
Wheat ...	Area, acs.	1,279,778	3,002,064	3,335,528	5,115,965	7,427,834	9,651,081	11,530,366
	Yld., bshl	11,917,741	21,443,862	25,675,265	38,561,619	71,636,347	24,892,402	152,420,189
	Av. „	9.31	7.14	7.70	7.54	9.64	2.58	13.22
Oats ...	Area, acs.	225,492	194,816	246,129	461,430	616,857	774,734	844,140
	Yld., bshl	4,251,630	4,795,897	5,726,256	9,789,854	9,561,771	4,341,104	12,963,889
	Av. „	18.85	24.62	23.27	21.22	15.50	5.60	15.36
Barley ...	Area, acs.	48,164	75,864	68,068	74,511	116,466	153,656	230,253
	Yld., bshl	726,158	1,353,380	1,178,560	1,519,819	2,056,836	1,328,910	4,080,492
	Av. „	15.08	17.84	17.31	20.40	17.68	8.65	17.72
Maize ...	Area, acs.	142,078	165,777	284,428	294,849	340,065	339,781	360,027
	Yld., bshl	4,576,635	5,726,266	9,261,922	7,034,786	8,939,855	8,455,561	8,526,686
	Av. „	32.21	34.54	32.56	23.86	26.29	24.89	23.68
Hay ...	Area, acs.	303,274	768,388	942,166	1,688,402	2,518,288	2,628,613	2,671,251
	Yld., tons	375,871	767,194	1,067,255	2,024,608	2,867,973	1,733,944	3,505,924
	Av. „	1.24	1.00	1.13	1.20	1.14	0.66	1.31
Potatoes ¹	Area, acs.	67,911	76,265	112,884	109,685	130,463	151,845	149,895
	Yld., tons	212,896	243,216	380,477	322,524	301,489	372,889	363,002
	Av. „	3.13	3.19	3.37	2.94	2.31	2.46	2.42
Sugar ⁴ Cane ...	Area, acs.	11,576	19,708	45,444	86,950	101,010	172,616	178,190
	Yld., tons	176,632	349,627	737,573	1,367,802	1,682,250	2,104,239	1,723,072
	Av. „	15.25	17.74	16.23	15.73	16.65	18.45	21.24
Vineyards	Area, acs.	16,253	14,570	48,882	63,677	60,602	60,985	65,394
	Wine, gal	2,104,000	1,488,000	3,535,000	5,816,087	4,975,147	2,875,326	5,126,268
Total value all agricul- tural production ... £		8,941,000	15,519,000	16,480,000	23,835,000	38,774,000	36,052,000	60,200,000
Pastoral, dairying, etc.								
Live Stock	(Sheep, No.	40,072,955	65,092,719	106,421,068	72,040,211	93,003,521	78,600,334	76,651,951
	Cattle „	4,277,228	8,010,991	11,112,112	8,491,428	11,828,954	11,051,573	10,459,061
	Horses „	701,530	1,088,029	1,584,737	1,620,422	2,279,027	2,521,272	2,440,894
	Pigs „	586,017	703,188	845,888	931,309	1,110,721	862,447	1,006,780
Wool prod., lb. greasy		179,000,000	332,759,000	631,587,000	543,131,661	726,408,625 ⁵	642,734,725 ⁵	550,604,675 ⁵
Butter product'n, lbs.		3...	3...	47,433,564	101,671,066	211,573,745	193,970,412	182,516,307
Cheese „		3...	3...	19,146,929	11,575,692	15,886,712	21,240,411	25,153,633
Bacon and ham „		3...	3...	3...	34,020,629	53,264,652	52,574,902	51,313,620
Total estimated value of pastoral and dairying production ... £		20,736,000	29,538,000	39,256,000	36,890,000	69,832,000	81,827,000	3...
Mineral production—								
Gold... .. £		7,239,106	5,194,390	5,281,861	14,005,732	10,551,624	8,729,947	7,074,673
Silver and lead ... £		29,488	31,139	3,717,825	2,367,687	3,021,284	3,818,076	3,530,078
Copper £		824,111	673,786	362,745	2,238,590	2,564,278	2,349,881	4,625,363
Tin £		18,597	1,145,603	560,750	432,576	1,209,973	758,431	900,806
Zinc... .. £		...	...	2,622	4,057	1,415,169	1,021,090	962,479
Coal... .. £		325,747	636,746	1,908,028	2,602,770	3,929,672	4,619,689	4,118,201
Total value all mineral production ... £		8,484,728	7,813,523	12,093,837	22,043,104	23,480,211	22,264,589	23,567,302
Forestry production— Quantity of local tim- ber sawn or hewn sup. ft.		3...	3...	3...	452,131,252	591,645,786	673,366,710	3...
Manufactories— ²								
No. of factories ...		...	...	...	...	14,455	15,427	15,010
Hands employed No.		...	...	...	...	311,760	331,579	316,917
Wages paid ... £		...	...	...	...	27,528,371	34,090,428	33,828,840
Total value of output £		...	...	...	...	133,022,090	166,405,923	172,574,845
Value added in pro- cess of manufac. £		...	...	...	...	54,017,714	66,627,039	67,394,400

¹ Partly estimated 1871 and 1881. ² Owing to variation in classification and lack of information effective comparison is impossible. ³ Information not available. ⁴ Area of productive cane. ⁵ Season ended 30th June, year following. ⁶ Year 1915-16.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY FOR THE COMMONWEALTH—(continued).

Heading.	Years.						
	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1914.	1916.
Shipping—							
Oversea vessels { No. 2,748 3,284 3,778 4,028 4,174 3,926 2,986							
ent. & cleared { ton. 1,312,642 2,549,364 4,726,307 6,541,991 9,984,801 10,380,386 7,694,442							
Commerce—							
Imports oversea £ 17,017,000 29,067,000 37,711,000 42,434,000 66,967,488 73,945,664 76,179,639							
" per head £ 12/10/3 12/16/2 11/16/0 11/3/11 14/18/3 15/0/8 15/12/6							
Exports oversea £ 21,725,000 27,528,000 36,043,000 49,696,000 79,482,258 67,360,588 97,894,140							
" per head £ 12/19/6 12/2/8 11/5/6 13/2/2 17/14/1 13/13/10 20/1/7							
Total oversea trade £ 38,742,000 56,595,000 73,754,000 92,130,000 146,449,746 141,306,252 174,073,779							
" per head £ 23/2/9 24/18/10 23/1/6 24/6/1 32/12/4 28/14/6 35/14/1							
Customs and excise duties ... £ ... 4,809,326 7,440,869 8,656,530 13,515,005 15,072,689 16,118,920							
" per head, £ ... 2/2/5 2/6/7 2/5/8 3/0/2 3/1/4 3/6/0							
Principal Oversea Exports— ¹							
Wool { lbs. (greasy) 176,635,820 328,369,169 619,259,753 518,018,134 720,364,903 470,933,213 452,596,450							
" £ 9,459,629 13,173,026 19,940,029 15,237,454 26,071,193 18,375,303 28,953,338							
Wheat { bushels 799,924 5,364,653 9,794,791 20,260,058 55,147,840 52,878,122 55,278,872							
" £ 193,732 1,189,762 1,938,864 2,774,643 9,641,608 9,996,514 13,374,511							
Flour { tons 12,938 49,549 33,363 96,814 175,891 174,217 290,633							
" £ 170,415 519,635 328,423 559,604 1,391,529 1,495,557 3,463,363							
Butter { lbs. 1,812,688 1,298,758 4,259,494 34,607,397 101,722,136 56,162,547 75,361,869							
" £ 45,813 39,383 206,868 1,451,168 4,637,362 2,655,374 5,338,848							
Skins and hides... £ 100,123 316,878 873,695 1,250,938 3,227,236 4,146,003 2,273,648							
Tallow ... £ 914,278 644,149 571,069 677,745 1,935,836 1,897,466 1,252,266							
Meats ... £ 566,780 362,965 460,894 2,611,244 4,303,159 9,088,617 8,861,157							
Timber (undressed) £ 42,586 118,117 38,448 731,301 1,023,960 ... 289,738							
Gold ... £ 7,184,833 6,445,365 5,703,532 14,315,741 12,045,766 2,185,010 ...							
Silver and lead ... £ 37,891 57,954 1,932,278 2,250,253 3,212,584 ... 5,000,268							
Copper ... £ 598,538 676,515 417,687 1,619,145 2,345,961 ... 4,317,984							
Coal... £ 134,355 361,081 645,972 986,957 900,622 1,061,127 415,560							
Govt. Railways—							
Lgth. of line open, mls 970 3,832 9,541 12,577 16,079 18,327 20,738							
Capital cost ... £ 19,269,786 42,741,350 99,764,090 123,587,000 152,194,603 179,968,432 205,167,000							
Gross revenue ... £ 1,102,650 3,910,122 8,654,085 11,038,000 17,847,843 21,982,480 22,229,174							
Working expenses £ 608,332 2,141,735 5,630,182 7,149,000 11,054,383 15,060,789 16,249,387							
Per cent. of work'g expenses on earnings% 55.17 54.77 65.06 64.76 61.94 68.51 73.10							
Postal—							
Letters and postcards dealt with ... No. 24,382,000 67,640,000 157,297,000 220,853,000 453,885,410 524,482,965 584,148,939							
" per head .. 14.54 29.61 49.07 58.26 101.08 106.62 119.82							
Newspapers dealt with ... No. 3,336,000 38,063,000 85,280,000 102,727,000 139,603,510 136,669,530 146,857,674							
" per head .. 7.95 16.66 26.61 27.10 31.09 27.78 30.12							
Cheque-paying Banks—							
Note circulation £ 2,456,487 3,978,711 4,417,269 3,406,175 ² 876,428 ² 287,308 ² 244,840							
Coin & bullion held £ 6,168,869 9,108,243 16,712,923 19,737,572 30,024,225 35,137,225 22,854,827							
Advances ... £ 26,039,573 57,732,824 129,741,583 89,167,499 116,769,133 121,292,671 ...							
Deposits ... £ 21,856,959 53,849,455 98,345,338 90,965,530 147,103,081 162,586,484 209,292,659							
Savings Banks—							
Number of depositors 100,713 250,070 614,741 964,553 1,600,112 2,199,108 2,418,297							
Total deposits ... £ 3,193,285 7,854,480 15,536,592 30,882,645 59,393,682 86,670,737 96,284,078							
Aver. per depositor £ 31/14/2 31/8/2 25/5/6 32/0/4 37/2/3 39/8/3 39/16/5							
" head of population ... £ 1/18/9 3/10/5 4/18/7 8/3/0 13/8/5 17/11/3 19/12/10							
State Schools—							
Number of schools 2,502 4,494 6,231 7,012 8,060 8,732 8,875							
Teachers ... No. 4,641 9,028 12,564 14,500 16,971 20,728 23,389							
Enrolment ... 236,710 432,320 561,153 638,478 638,850 713,232 751,126							
Aver. attendance .. 137,767 255,143 350,773 450,246 463,799 544,230 569,306							

¹ Australian produce, except gold, which includes re-exports.
of Australian notes.² Decrease due to issue³ Information not available.

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	Personal Exertion.		Property.		Companies.	Absentees.	Individuals.	
	Taxable Income.	Rate.	Taxable Income.	Rate.				
NEW SOUTH WALES.								
1907-1910	£ ..	Flat Rate	£ ..	Flat Rate	..	..	Per. Ex. £1,000 Pty. .. £200
1911	1 to 700	6d. in £	1 to 700	6d. in £	..	$\frac{1}{3}$ additional tax ..	Per. Ex. } Pty. .. } £300	
to	701 „ 1,000	7d. „ £	701 „ 1,000	Same as Personal Exertion plus $\frac{1}{3}$				
1912	1,001 „ 2,000	8d. „ £	1,001 „ 2,000					
	2,001 „ 4,000	9d. „ £	2,001 „ 4,000					
	4,001 „ 6,000	10d. „ £	4,001 „ 6,000					
	6,001 „ 9,000	11d. „ £	6,001 „ 9,000					
	Balance ..	1/- „ £	Balance ..					
1913	1 to 700	8d. in £	1 to 700	6d. in £	1/- in £	$\frac{1}{3}$ additional tax ..	Per. Ex. } Pty. .. } £250	
	701 „ 1000	9d. „ £	701 „ 1,000	Same as Personal Exertion plus $\frac{1}{3}$				
	1,001 „ 2,000	10d. „ £	1,001 „ 2,000					
	2,001 „ 4,000	11d. „ £	2,001 „ 4,000					
	4,001 „ 6,000	1/- „ £	4,001 „ 6,000					
	6,001 „ 9,000	1/1 „ £	6,001 „ 9,000					
	Balance ..	1/2 „ £	Balance ..					
1916 and 1917	Personal Exertion, Property and Company Rates same as for year 1913, with the addition of a super tax of 3d. in £, on all incomes. Absentee Tax was not charged. Tax on income from property at present ranges from 1/1 $\frac{2}{3}$ to 1/9 $\frac{2}{3}$ in £				..	..	Per. Ex. } Pty. .. } £250

VICTORIA.

1909	201 to 500	3d. in £	201 to 500	6d. in £	Mining.. .. 7d. in £	..	Incomes up to
to	501 „ 1,000	4d. „ £	501 „ 1,000	8d. „ £	Life 8d. in £		£200 exempt.
1915	1,001 „ 1,500	5d. „ £	1,001 „ 1,500	10d. „ £	All other .. 7d. in £		Incomes over
	Balance ..	6d. „ £	Balance ..	1/- „ £	Fire, Marine, } Exempt.		£200 and up to
					Accident }		£500 — exemp-
1915-16	Up to £500—		Up to £500—				tion £150.
to	201 to £500	3d. „ £	201 to £500	6d. „ £			
1916-17	Exceeding £500—		Exceeding £500				
	1 to 500	4d. „ £	1 to 500	8d. „ £	Mining .. }		do.
	501 „ 1,000	5d. „ £	501 „ 1,000	10d. „ £	Life .. }	1/- in £	
	1,001 „ 1,500	6d. „ £	1,001 „ 1,500	1/- „ £			

1907 to 1914	1 to 500 501 „ 1,000— 500 Balance .. 1,001 to 1,500— 1,000 .. Balance .. 1,500 and over	6d. in £ 6d. „ £ 7d. „ £ 7d. „ £ 8d. „ £ 8d. „ £	.. ..	Flat Rate 9d. in £	Foreign .. 1/- in £ Local— 2½% on undivided profits 5% on dividends	1/- in £	Per. Ex. } £200 Pty
1915 to date	1 to 500 501 „ 1,000 1,001 „ 1,500 1,501 „ 3,000 Balance ..	7½d. „ £ 9d. „ £ 1/- „ £ 1/3 „ £ 1/6 „ £	1 to 500 501 „ 1,000 1,001 „ 1,500 1,500 „ 3,000 Balance ..	1/- in £ 1/1½ „ £ 1/3 „ £ 1/6 „ £ 1/8 „ £	Not being Public Utility or Monopoly Co.'s If profits do not exceed 6%. 1/- in £ Balance over 6%— 6- 7% .. 1/1 in £ 7- 8% .. 1/2 „ £ 8- 9% .. 1/3 „ £ 9-10% .. 1/4 „ £ 10-11% .. 1/5 „ £ 11-12% .. 1/6 „ £ 12-13% .. 1/7 „ £ 13-14% .. 1/8 „ £ 14-15% .. 1/9 „ £ 15-16% .. 1/10 „ £ 16-17% .. 1/11 „ £ Exceeds 17% 2/- „ £ Public Utility and Monopoly Co.'s If profits do not exceed 6%, 1/- in £ Balance over 6%— 6- 7% .. 1/2 in £ 7- 8% .. 1/4 „ £ 8- 9% .. 1/6 „ £ 9-10% .. 1/8 „ £ 10-11% .. 1/10 „ £ 11-12% .. 2/- „ £ 12-13% .. 2/2 „ £ 13-14% .. 2/4 „ £ 14-15% .. 2/6 „ £ 15-16% .. 2/8 „ £ 16-17% .. 2/10 „ £ Exceeds 17% 3/- „ £	1 to 500 1/- in £ 501 „ 1,000 1/2 „ £ 1,001 „ 1,500 1/5 „ £ 1,501 „ 3,000 1/8 „ £ Balance .. 2/- „ £	Per. Ex. } £200 Pty. In applying exemption to income derived from both Per. Ex. and Pty. the income from Per. Ex. shall first be resorted to.

RATES OF TAX AND STATUTORY EXEMPTIONS UNDER STATE INCOME TAX ACTS—*cont.*

Year of Assess- ment.	RATES OF TAX.						STATUTORY EXEMPTIONS.
	Personal Exertion.		Property.		Companies.	Absentees.	Individuals.
	Taxable Income.	Rate.	Taxable Income.	Rate.			
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.							
1907-1908	£ 1 to 800 .. Balance ..	4½d. in £ 7d. „ £	£ 1 to 800 .. Balance ..	9d. in £ 1/1½ „ £	..	..	£1-400, exemption £150 ; when in- come exceeds £400 no exemption.
1908-1909	do.	do.	do.	do.	..	..	£200
1917-1918	1 to 400 401 „ 700 Balance .. ADDITIONAL 1,001 to 5,000 5,001 „ 10,000 over 10,000	5d. in £ 7d. „ £ 9d. „ £ TAX. 6d. in £ 1/- „ £ 1/6 „ £	1 to 400 401 „ 700 Balance .. ADDITIONAL TAX. Same as Per. Ex.	10d. in £ 1/- „ £ 1/3 „ £	..	..	.. £150
Bachelors and widowers shall be £1 in addition to any other income tax payable.							
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.							
1908-1911		Flat rate 4d. in £	Same as Pers. Exertion		Companies trading in W.A. only, 1/- in the £ of all dividends declared.	50% additional	£200 (1908-1915)
1912-1916 and 1st half of 1917	1- 500	4d. „ £					
	501- 750	5d. „ £					
	751-1,000	6d. „ £					
	1,001-1,500	7d. „ £					
	1,501-2,000	8d. „ £					
	2,001-3,000	9d. „ £					
	3,001-4,000	10d. „ £					
	4,001-5,000	11d. „ £					
		Balance	1/- „ £	NOTE.—An amending Bill, embodying a continuously graded rate of tax, is at present before Parliament.			

TASMANIA.

1910 to 1917	1-149 ..	3d. in £	Under £250 ..	8d. in £	1/- in £	..	Widower or widow with child under 16 dependent; or married person whose income is under £125 is exempt.
	150-249 ..	4d. „ £	250-399—				
	250-349 ..	4½d. „ £	250 ..	8d. „ £			
	350-399 ..	5¼d. „ £	Balance ..	10d. „ £			
	400-699—						
	400 ..	5½d. „ £	400 and over—				
	Balance ..	6½d. „ £	250 ..	8d. „ £			
	700-899—		150 ..	10d. „ £			
	400 ..	5½d. „ £	Balance ..	1/- „ £			
	200 ..	6½d. „ £					
	Balance ..	7½d. „ £					
	900-999—						
	400 ..	5½d. „ £	Prize money in lottery authorised by the State is taxed 2/- per £ without exemption.				
	200 ..	6½d. „ £					
	200 ..	7½d. „ £					
	Balance ..	9½d. „ £					
	1,000-1,499—						
	400 ..	5½d. „ £					
	200 ..	6½d. „ £					
	200 ..	7½d. „ £					
	200 ..	9½d. „ £					
	Balance ..	11½d. „ £					
	1,500-1,999—						
	400 ..	5½d. „ £					
	200 ..	6½d. „ £					
	200 ..	7½d. „ £					
	200 ..	9½d. „ £					
	500 ..	11½d. „ £					
	Balance ..	1/1 „ £					
	2,000 & over—						
	400 ..	5½d. „ £					
	200 ..	6½d. „ £					
	200 ..	7½d. „ £					
	200 ..	9½d. „ £					
	500 ..	11½d. „ £					
	500 ..	1/1 „ £					
	Balance ..	1/3 „ £					
NOTE.—By an Act of 1917 a Super Tax was imposed, equal to $\frac{1}{5}$ on Companies and $\frac{1}{10}$ on Individuals; incomes under £200 exempt from Super Tax.							
							Income exemption— £100-109 £70 110-124 60 125-149 50 150-249 40 250-349 30 350-399 20 400 & over Nil.

AUSTRALIAN TAXATION FOR THE YEAR 1916-1917.

Tax.	Comw'lth	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Customs ..	12,373,664	..	..	..	..	..	..	12,373,664
Excise ..	3,236,623	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,236,623
Land Tax ..	2,121,952	3,215	369,486	362,535	139,372	42,431	83,595	3,122,586
Income Tax ..	5,621,950	1,973,477	766,746	756,292	264,946	196,221	216,278	9,795,910
Probate Duties	1,062,168	826,769	546,400	146,077	134,620	40,963	37,310	2,794,307
Other Taxation	110,683	825,943	554,384	299,140	187,707	122,721	101,449	2,202,027
Total ..	24,527,040	3,629,404	2,237,016	1,564,044	726,645	402,336	438,632	33,525,117
Per head of Population	£5 0 7	£1 19 1	£1 12 0	£2 6 9	£1 13 8	£1 6 1	£2 3 11	£6 17 6

UNITED KINGDOM TAXATION FOR 1917-18.*

							£
Customs ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	71,261,000
Excise ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	38,772,000
Stamps ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8,300,000
Income Tax ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	239,500,000
Excess Profits Tax	..	..	..	..	..	..	220,214,000
Other Taxation	..	..	..	..	..	..	32,000,000
Total ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	610,047,000
Per head of population	..	..	..	..	..	..	£13 5 0

* Approximate.

1907 to 1914	1 to 500 501 „ 1,000— 500 Balance .. 1,001 to 1,500— 1,000 .. Balance .. 1,500 and over	6d. in £ 6d. „ £ 7d. „ £ 7d. „ £ 8d. „ £ 8d. „ £	.. ..	Flat Rate 9d. in £	Foreign .. 1/- in £ Local— 2½% on undivided profits 5% on dividends	1/- in £	Per. Ex. } £200 Pty
1915 to date	1 to 500 501 „ 1,000 1,001 „ 1,500 1,501 „ 3,000 Balance ..	7½d. „ £ 9d. „ £ 1/- „ £ 1/3 „ £ 1/6 „ £	1 to 500 501 „ 1,000 1,001 „ 1,500 1,500 „ 3,000 Balance ..	1/- in £ 1/1½ „ £ 1/3 „ £ 1/6 „ £ 1/8 „ £	Not being Public Utility or Monopoly Co.'s If profits do not exceed 6%, 1/- in £ Balance over 6%— 6-7% .. 1/1 in £ 7-8% .. 1/2 „ £ 8-9% .. 1/3 „ £ 9-10% .. 1/4 „ £ 10-11% .. 1/5 „ £ 11-12% .. 1/6 „ £ 12-13% .. 1/7 „ £ 13-14% .. 1/8 „ £ 14-15% .. 1/9 „ £ 15-16% .. 1/10 „ £ 16-17% .. 1/11 „ £ Exceeds 17% 2/- „ £	1 to 500 1/- in £ 501 „ 1,000 1/2 „ £ 1,001 „ 1,500 1/5 „ £ 1,501 „ 3,000 1/8 „ £ Balance .. 2/- „ £	Per. Ex. } £200 Pty.
					Public Utility and Monopoly Co.'s If profits do not exceed 6%, 1/- in £ Balance over 6%— 6-7% .. 1/2 in £ 7-8% .. 1/4 „ £ 8-9% .. 1/6 „ £ 9-10% .. 1/8 „ £ 10-11% .. 1/10 „ £ 11-12% .. 2/- „ £ 12-13% .. 2/2 „ £ 13-14% .. 2/4 „ £ 14-15% .. 2/6 „ £ 15-16% .. 2/8 „ £ 16-17% .. 2/10 „ £ Exceeds 17% 3/- „ £		In applying exemption to income derived from both Per. Ex. and Pty. the income from Per. Ex. shall first be resorted to.

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1908-1909	do.	do.	do.	do.	£200
1917-1918	1 to 400 401 „ 700 Balance .. ADDITIONAL TAX. 1,001 to 5,000 5,001 „ 10,000 over 10,000	5d. in £ 7d. „ £ 9d. „ £ 6d. in £ 1/- „ £ 1/6 „ £	1 to 400 401 „ 700 Balance .. ADDITIONAL TAX. Same as Per. Ex.	10d. in £ 1/- „ £ 1/3 „ £	£150
Bachelors and widowers shall be £1 in addition to any other income tax payable.							
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.							
1908-1911	Flat rate 4d. in £	} Same as Pers. Exertion	Companies trading in W.A. only 1/- in the £ of all dividends declared.		50% additional	£200 (1908-1915)	
1912-1916 and 1st half of 1917	1- 500		Companies trading beyond the State, 1/- in the £ of net local profits.				
	501- 750						
	751-1,000						
	1,001-1,500						
	1,501-2,000						
	2,001-3,000						
	3,001-4,000						
	4,001-5,000						
	Balance						
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	250-349 ..	4 $\frac{3}{4}$ d. „ £	250 ..	8d. „ £			
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	700-899—		150 ..	10d. „ £			
	400 ..	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £	Balance ..	1/- „ £			
	200 ..	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					Unmarried person whose income is under £100 is exempt.
	Balance ..	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					
	900-999—		Prize money in lottery authorised by the State is taxed 2/- per £ without exemption.				
	400 ..	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					
	200 ..	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					
	200 ..	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					
	Balance ..	9 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					
	1,000-1,499—						Income exemption—
	400 ..	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					£100-109 £70
	200 ..	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					110-124 60
	200 ..	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					125-149 50
	200 ..	9 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					150-249 40
	Balance ..	11 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					250-349 30
	1,500-1,999—						350-399 20
	400 ..	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					400 & over Nil.
	200 ..	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					
	200 ..	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					
	200 ..	9 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					
	500 ..	11 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					
	Balance ..	1/1 „ £					
	2,000 & over—						
	400 ..	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					
	200 ..	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					
	200 ..	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					
	200 ..	9 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					
	500 ..	11 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. „ £					
	500 ..	1/1 „ £					
	Balance ..	1/3 „ £					

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